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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor the Hospitality High School of Washington, DC and honor its four students on being named National Champions in Knowledge of Hotel Industry Competition.

WHEREAS, four students of the Hospitality High School of Washington, D.C., demonstrated their knowledge of the hotel industry and challenged themselves to real-life work experiences in a hotel by participating in the American Hotel & Lodging Educational Foundation National Lodging Management Program Competition, part of a three-day event at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort in Orlando, Florida;

WHEREAS, more than 550 high schools have implemented the Lodging Management Program nationally;

WHEREAS, these students, Frank Fleming, Sharnell Myles, Tashell Burnett, and Dana Richardson, placed first in the "Knowledge Bowl," a question-and-answer "Jeopardy-style" quiz using questions from the American Hotel & Lodging Educational Foundation Lodging Management Program on overall hotel management, leadership, front office operations, housekeeping, and food and beverage;

WHEREAS, these students placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the competition overall, covering the areas of hotel operations, knowledge of hotel industry, and conducting a hospitality project where the participants had one evening to prepare a "Banquet Event Order," which is the industry's standard process to plan, theme, and execute an event in a hotel;

WHEREAS, the students were awarded scholarships from Johnson & Wales University (\$4,000), Kendall College in Chicago (\$24,000), University of Houston (\$5,000), and San Diego State (\$1,500) for their achievements in this competition;

WHEREAS, Michael Cucciardo, the Lodging Management Program teacher at the Hospitality High School of Washington, DC, was recognized as "Teacher of the Year" for 2005 by the Education Institute of the American Hotel & Lodging Educational Foundation for his excellent stewardship in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, the hotel Association of Washington, D.C.'s member hotels, Capital Hotels, Capital Hilton, Embassy Suites Convention center, Embassy Suites Downtown, Fairmont, Grand Hyatt, Hilton Embassy Row, Holiday Inn Capitol, Holiday Inn on the Hill, Hotel Monaco, Hyatt Regency Washington, Marriott Wardman Park, Residence Inn Capitol, Renaissance Washington, DC, and Washington Suites Georgetown, through its Hospitality Industry Partnership Program, provided hotel tours, guest speaking engagements, project-based learning, and coaching for Hospitality High of Washington, DC students.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Hospitality High School Students National Champions Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates the academic achievements of these students, and recognizes their teachers, staff, and principal, and the member hotels of the Hotel Association of Washington, D.C., for their support of the students of the Hospitality High School of Washington, D.C., and for the valuable contribution they have made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor the 2006 International AIDS Candlelight Memorial in conjunction with the Global Health Council, and to declare May 21, 2006, as "International AIDS Candlelight Memorial Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the HIV/AIDS pandemic is one of the greatest health threats of our time;

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention now estimates that more than one million Americans are living with HIV;

WHEREAS, there were 16,130 residents reported with AIDS through the end of 2004 and 991 new cases this past year;

WHEREAS, there was an estimated HIV prevalence in a range of 17,806 to 25,405 individuals in Washington, D.C.;

WHEREAS, May 21, 2006 is International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and people around the world and in the District of Columbia are demonstrating their shared commitment to eliminating the spread of the HIV virus; and

WHEREAS, this year's observance was organized by a broad collaboration of local, national and international organizations concerned that Washington, D.C., cannot be forgotten in this worldwide pandemic as residents have voiced their commitment to bring hope and healing to those suffering, and to finding a cure.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "2006 International AIDS Candlelight Memorial Day Recognition Resolution of 2006".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates the D.C. International AIDS Candlelight Memorial Campaign for the valuable contribution it has made to eradicate AIDS, and to declare May 21, 2006 as International AIDS Candlelight Memorial Day in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To commemorate the start of construction on the 118-unit condominium complex known as The Floridian, and to declare May 9, 2006, as "The Floridian Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, The Floridian is a 118-unit condominium complex at the corner of Florida and Vermont Avenues, NW, in Ward One;

WHEREAS, The Floridian is a \$50-million investment in the community;

WHEREAS, more than half of the one- and two-bedroom units in the complex have been sold before the first shovel of dirt was moved;

WHEREAS, The Floridian is part of the renaissance of a long-neglected area of Ward One; and

WHEREAS, the developers and the community gathered on May 9, 2006 for a groundbreaking ceremony.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as "The Floridian Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commemorates the start of construction on the 118-unit Floridian condominium complex, and declares May 9, 2006 as "The Floridian Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To commemorate the grand opening of the 9-unit affordable condominium building known as the Oakshire, and to declare May 11, 2006, as "Oakshire Condominium Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, The Oakshire Condominium is a 9-unit building in Ward One;

WHEREAS, Howard University, Manna, Inc., and the District of Columbia Housing Authority collaborated several years ago to transfer a vacant building to Manna's ownership;

WHEREAS, Manna received a HUD/HBCU grant through Howard University and green building funds from Home Depot;

WHEREAS, Manna used these funds to reconstruct the vacant building as a "green" or environmentally-friendly condominium;

WHEREAS, the nine units in the building are reserved for persons making less than 50% of the Area Median Income, or \$42,400 for a family of four; and

WHEREAS, the developers and the community gathered on May 11, 2006 for a grand opening ceremony.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Oakshire Condominium Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commemorates the addition of nine affordable housing units for homeowners in Ward One with the grand opening of the Oakshire Condominium, and declares May 11, 2006 as "Oakshire Condominium Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To posthumously recognize and honor Theresa D. Lewis for her dedicated service to the District of Columbia, and declare May 11, 2006 as "Theresa D. Lewis Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Theresa D. Lewis came to embody the institutional knowledge and became the most identifiable person at the District of Columbia Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs by her long and dedicated service to that agency;

WHEREAS, Theresa D. Lewis graduated in the first class of the Center for Excellence in Municipal Management at the George Washington University as a Certified Public Manager;

WHEREAS, Theresa D. Lewis' career of public service with the Government of the District of Columbia consisted of 28 years of ever increasing responsibility in an agency charged with the responsibility to protect and enhance the quality of life of those who live, work and visit the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Theresa D. Lewis served as the agency's Management Analyst, Executive Assistant to the Director, Business License Program Manager, Administrator of the Housing Regulation Administration, Deputy Director for Program Operations, and most recently, as Chief of Staff; and

WHEREAS, Theresa D. Lewis' character, integrity and knowledge is recognized throughout this government and all sectors of our city.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Theresa D. Lewis Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Theresa D. Lewis for the valuable contribution she has made to the District of Columbia, and declares May 11, 2006 as "Theresa D. Lewis Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor Sam Gough in conjunction with his service with the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Sam Gough has been employed in the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia for six years;

WHEREAS, Sam Gough has rendered outstanding service during his tenure as a member of the staff of Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Sam Gough's participation in the team effort of the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia resulted in the collection of resolutions, proclamations and other statements of support for full representation in the Congress of the United States for the residents of the District of Columbia from Governors, Mayors, City Councils and State Legislatures across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Sam Gough's professional efforts and thousands of hours of work on a pro bono basis has greatly enhanced the effort to win full representation for the residents of the District of Columbia, while simultaneously educating our countrymen and women of the precarious plight of our local citizens.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Sam Gough Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Sam Gough for the valuable contribution he has made to the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia and to the residents of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor John Hicks in conjunction with his service with the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, John Hicks has been employed in the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia for six years;

WHEREAS, John Hicks has rendered outstanding service during his tenure as a member of the staff of Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, John Hicks' participation in the team effort of the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia resulted in the collection of resolutions, proclamations and other statements of support for full representation in the Congress of the United States for the residents of the District of Columbia from Governors, Mayors, City Councils and State Legislatures across the nation; and

WHEREAS, John Hicks' professional efforts and thousands of hours of work on a pro bono basis has greatly enhanced the effort to win full representation for the residents of the District of Columbia, while simultaneously educating our countrymen and women of the precarious plight of our local citizens.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "John Hicks Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates John Hicks for the valuable contribution he has made to the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia and to the residents of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor Pat Pellerin in conjunction with his service with the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Pat Pellerin has been employed in the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia for six years;

WHEREAS, Pat Pellerin has rendered outstanding service during his tenure as a member of the staff of Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Pat Pellerin's participation in the team effort of the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia resulted in the collection of resolutions, proclamations and other statements of support for full representation in the Congress of the United States for the residents of the District of Columbia from Governors, Mayors, City Councils and State Legislatures across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Pat Pellerin's professional efforts and thousands of hours of work on a pro bono basis has greatly enhanced the effort to win full representation for the residents of the District of Columbia, while simultaneously educating our countrymen and women of the precarious plight of our local citizens.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Pat Pellerin Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Pat Pellerin for the valuable contribution he has made to the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia and to the residents of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor Lorin Tate in conjunction with her service with the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Lorin Tate has been employed in the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia for six years;

WHEREAS, Lorin Tate has rendered outstanding service during her tenure as a member of the staff of Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Lorin Tate's participation in the team effort of the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia resulted in the collection of resolutions, proclamations and other statements of support for full representation in the Congress of the United States for the residents of the District of Columbia from Governors, Mayors, City Councils and State Legislatures across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Lorin Tate's professional efforts and thousands of hours of work on a pro bono basis has greatly enhanced the effort to win full representation for the residents of the District of Columbia, while simultaneously educating our countrymen and women of the precarious plight of our local citizens.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Lorin Tate Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Lorin Tate for the valuable contribution she has made to the Office of the U.S. Representative for the District of Columbia and to the residents of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To salute, recognize and honor Owen W. Davis for his contributions to the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department and the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis served as the first African-American to earn the rank of Captain (uniformed) and as Commander of the old Second and Eleventh precinct;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis served as the first African - American Deputy Chief of Police of the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department and was awarded over 75 commendations for Outstanding Police Work during his career;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis was the first African - American officers to be promoted to the rank of Inspector with oversight of the fourth, fifth and eleventh precincts;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis command as the Deputy Chief included the Special Operations Division and later the Patrol Division which consisted of more than 3,000 officers and civilian personnel and the fourteen precincts of the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis has consistently been active in the life of the District of Columbia through involvement with the D.C. Congress of Parents and Teachers, President of the Metropolitan Boys and Girls Clubs, the Boy Scouts of America, Family and Child Services of D.C., the Travelers Aid Society, the Eastland Gardens Civic Association, a member of the Masonic Order and an Elder of the Sargent memorial Presbyterian Church;

WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis' tenure as a uniformed officer and a command officer spanned the segregated era of the 1950's, through the turbulent demonstrations of the 1960's, and his retirement from the District of Columbia Metropolitan Police Department in 1973; and

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WHEREAS, Owen W. Davis continued to pursue higher education after retirement and earned a Masters Degree in Adult education from the Federal City College and studied at Virginia Tech University earning a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Owen W. Davis Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Owen W. Davis for the valuable contribution he has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To salute, recognize and honor Burton Westbrooke Johnson for his outstanding contribution to the D.C. Fire Department and the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Burton Westbrooke Johnson was appointed Fire Chief for the District of Columbia on April 23, 1973 becoming the first African American to serve as the Fire Chief for the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Burton Westbrooke Johnson, the eldest son of John Johnson and Genevieve Novella Johnson was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on September 5, 1917;

WHEREAS, Burton Westbrooke Johnson after moving to the District of Columbia graduated from the Dunbar High School in 1934;

WHEREAS, Burton Westbrooke Johnson was appointed as a private in the D.C. Fire Department on January 16, 1943;

WHEREAS, Burton Westbrooke Johnson illustrious career as a firefighter with the D.C. Fire Department includes being the first African American to serve as Sergeant in Fire Prevention, Lieutenant - Fire Investigation Section, Captain - Commander of Fire Investigation Section/Fire Prevention Division, Battalion Fire Chief - Fire Prevention Division, and Fire Marshall for the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Burton Westbrooke Johnson studied sociology at the American University and earned certificates in Fire Suppression from the University of Maryland, Purdue University, Ohio State University and completed course work at the D.C. Teachers College; and

WHEREAS, Burton Westbrooke Johnson's current and former civic and community activities include membership of the Vestry and Senior Warden of the Epiphany Episcopal Church in Forestville, Maryland, Past President of the First Friday Club, Shrine of the

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Immaculate Conception, Roman Catholic Church, serves as a Board Member of the Metropolitan Police Boys and Girls Club, and the Center for Community Justice, and membership in the Kiwanis Club of Washington, The Pigskin Club of Washington, D.C. M, The Touchdown Club of Washington, D.C., Ionic Lodge #17, Free & Accepted Mason, PHA-District of Columbia, Mecca Temple #10, Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, PHA-DC, Past Commander-In-Chief, Jonathan Davis Consistory #1, A.A.S.R. of F.M., P.H.A.,S.J., U.S.A. - Valley of Washington, D.C. and others.

**RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Burton Westbrooke Johnson Recognition Resolution of 2006".**

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Burton Westbrooke Johnson for the valuable contribution he has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize Mr. Roger Parker, for his 25 years of service to the United States Postal Service and upon his retirement from the United States Postal Service.

WHEREAS, Mr. Parker is a native of McDowell County, West Virginia;

WHEREAS, Mr. Parker, served 21 years in the United States Air Force;

WHEREAS, Mr. Parker attained the rank of Master Sergeant before his retirement from the United States Air Force;

WHEREAS, Mr. Parker served the United States Air Force in Thailand during the Vietnam Era;

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the United States Air Force, Mr. Parker joined the United States Postal Service;

WHEREAS, Mr. Parker has 25 years of service with the United States Postal Service;

WHEREAS, during his 25 year of service, Mr. Parker has delivered mail to the residents of Ward 4 – Eleven years to the residents of Petworth and fourteen years to the residents of Takoma, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, in the course of his appointed rounds, Mr. Parker has become a member of the communities he has served, watching over the homes and the children of Ward 4 residents and even finding a lost wedding ring.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Roger Parker Service to, and Retirement from, the United States Postal Service Recognition Resolution of 2006”.

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commends Mr. Roger Parker upon his retirement.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize Mr. Robert Headon, for his 40 years of service to the District of Columbia Public Schools and upon his retirement from the District of Columbia Public Schools.

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon is a native Washingtonian;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon graduated from Cardozo Senior High School, where he started and lettered in football, basketball, and baseball, and was a member of the 1957-58 Cardozo City Title Basketball Team;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon attended St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina, and graduated with a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Health and Physical Education;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon received a Master's Degree in Guidance and Counseling from Bowie State College;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon's first teaching job was at Cardozo High School, where he initially taught Physical Education, eventually joined the coaching staff, and where he won his first Varsity Football Championship in 1968;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon was the Athletic Director at H. D. Woodson High School from 1971 until 2005;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon has the distinction of being the football coach with the most wins in the history of the District of Columbia Public Schools – A record of 268 wins and 87 losses in his 36 years as a football coach;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon is the only coach in the District of Columbia who has won Football Championships in both East and West Divisions of the District of Columbia Interscholastic Athletic Association;

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WHEREAS, on June 26, 1996, Mr. Headon became the first inductee from the District of Columbia into the National High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame;

WHEREAS, in June 2002, the National High School Coaches Association named Mr. Headon Football Coach of the Year;

WHEREAS, in June 2005, Mr. Headon was inducted into the District of Columbia Retired Coaches Association Hall of Fame;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon has a winning record of 628 wins and 85 losses as the Girls' Basketball Coach at H. D. Woodson High School with seventeen District of Columbia Interscholastic Athletic Association Championships;

WHEREAS, Mr. Headon coached Girls' Softball at H. D. Woodson High School and won two City Championships in 1986 and in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Coach Headon has dedicated four decades of his life to the children of the District of Columbia, instilling self-esteem, discipline, and a passion for physical fitness.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Coach Robert Headon Service to, and Retirement from, the District of Columbia Public Schools Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commends Mr. Robert Headon upon his retirement.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor Community Of Peace Year DC & Global Family Day (One Day of Peace and Peace and Sharing Every January first) and to encourage all citizens of Washington D.C., to take action to increase peace and sharing within both our personal and global families, in the year 2006.

WHEREAS, family is the basic structure of humanity, thus we must all look to the stability and love within our individual families to create stability in the global community;

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2000, Congress adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution 138, expressing the sense of Congress that the President of the United States should issue a proclamation each year calling upon the people of the United States and interested organizations to observe an international day of peace and sharing at the beginning of each year;

WHEREAS in 2001, the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 56/2, which invited 'Member States, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and all the peoples of the world to celebrate One Day in Peace, 1 January 2002, and every year thereafter';

WHEREAS many foreign heads of state have recognized the importance of establishing Global Family Day, a special day of international unity, peace, and sharing, on the first day of each year;

WHEREAS, in the year 2005, the people of the world suffered many calamitous events, including devastation from tsunami, terror attacks, war, famine, genocide, hurricanes, earthquakes, political and religious conflict, disease, poverty, and rioting, all necessitating global cooperation, compassion, and unity previously unprecedented among diverse cultures, faiths, and economic classes;

WHEREAS, grave global challenges in the year 2006 may require cooperation and innovative problem-solving among citizens and nations on an even greater scale;

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WHEREAS, there is a rising concern about the safety of our children in and around our schools and in our communities;

WHEREAS, it takes a village all working together to assure that the safety of our children become a reality;

WHEREAS, today provides an opportunity for all of our citizens, families and extended families to commit to become peacemakers and help enhance the quality of life of others;

WHEREAS, Global Family Day has been an effective feature of this program, extending to the international community;

WHEREAS, the Communities of Peace program has proven effective for communities to direct their attention and resources to creating a culture of peace for our children;

WHEREAS, the C.O.P.Y. DC program provides for children and youth initiatives titled, "Children's Cloth of Many Colors", and the Children's Praise/Peace Prize;

WHEREAS, the C.O.P.Y. DC program provides for individuals and families initiatives titled the "Emissary of Peace program", "Global Mothers Programming", and the annual "Global Family Day"; and

WHEREAS, the C.O.P.Y. DC program provides for community groups an initiative entitled the "Public Posters and Pins Program" and provision for a C.O.P.Y. DC Documentary.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Community of Peace Year DC & Global Family Day Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Community of Peace Year D.C. (C.O.P.Y. DC) & Global Family Day for propagating peace on a global, national and local level involving all segments of the District of Columbia and encourages all residents to participate in the planned activities to make the world a safer place for us and our children.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To honor Martha Merritt on the occasion of her 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday and to recognize her contributions to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Martha Merritt was born in the District on May 16, 1903;

WHEREAS, Martha Merritt attended D.C, Public schools including Ft. Reno Elementary School and Armstrong High School;

WHEREAS, Martha Merritt served as a nurse for Army officers and their families during her professional career;

WHEREAS, Martha Merritt married Frederick Merritt and had four children; and

WHEREAS, Martha Merritt is a member of the Third Order of St. Dominic, an organization of great renown within the Catholic Church.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Martha Merritt 103<sup>rd</sup> Birthday Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honor Martha Merritt on her 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday and for her many years of productive life in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To posthumously honor and remember the life of Rita B. Bright, and to declare May 20, 2006, as "Rita B. Bright Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright was born October 30, 1952 in the District of Columbia and was one of ten siblings;

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright attended the District of Columbia Public Schools and American University;

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright raised three children in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright served as the Special Projects Coordinator for the Columbia Heights/Shaw Family Support Collaborative;

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright was a board member of the National Alliance to End Homelessness;

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright in 1995 originated a giveaway program for prom gowns for high school students;

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright dedicated her life to the service of families in need in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Rita B. Bright passed away May 14, 2006 at the age of 53; and

WHEREAS, the family, friends and colleagues of Rita B. Bright gathered May 20, 2006 to celebrate her life.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Rita B. Bright Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2006".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia remembers and honors the life of Rita B. Bright; and declares May 20, 2006 as "Rita B. Bright Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To commemorate the opening of the Columbia Heights Educational Campus, and to declare May 22, 2006, as "Bell-Lincoln Multicultural Center Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Bell Multicultural High School was built in 1910;

WHEREAS, Lincoln Middle School was built in 1967;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Public Schools recently completed construction on a new facility to house both schools;

WHEREAS, the new \$65-million facility comprises 325,217 square feet on Irving Street, N.W., between 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Hiatt Place, NW;

WHEREAS, more than 1,400 students representing 50 nations and 23 languages now attend the new school;

WHEREAS, the new school is home to a staff of 150;

WHEREAS, planning for the Bell-Lincoln Multicultural Center began in 2000; and

WHEREAS, the principals of both schools; School Board Member Jeff Smith, Superintendent Clifford Janey, Councilmember Jim Graham and others gathered May 22, 2006 for a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Bell-Lincoln Multicultural Center.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Bell-Lincoln Multicultural Center Recognition of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commemorates the opening of the Columbia Heights Educational Campus; and declares May 22, 2006 as "Bell-Lincoln Multicultural Center Day" in the District of Columbia.

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Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor the Washington Mystics in conjunction to the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Women's National Basketball Association and to declare May 27, 2006 as "Washington Mystics Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Women's National Basketball Association or WNBA was formed in 1997 as an organization to govern the women's professional basketball league as a counterpart to the NBA and began in 1997;

WHEREAS, the Washington Mystics were one of the first WNBA expansion franchises to be established and played their first season in 1998;

WHEREAS, the Washington Mystics have had playoff appearances in 2002 and 2004;

WHEREAS, the Washington Mystics players are committed the Washington, D.C., area and participate in many community events;

WHEREAS, the Washington Mystics players participated in events around the community on Saturday, May 20th. Nakia Sanford and Latasha Byears attended the Children's Having Opportunities In Changing Environments, Inc. First Annual Basketball Tournament Fundraiser to raise money for the organization in order to continue to provide daytime supervision services for youth who become suspended from D.C. Public Schools and to continue to provide after school assistance to the children;

WHEREAS, the Washington Mystics and the Smithsonian's National Zoo joined forces and unveiled the Mystics' newest mascot at ZooFari 2006 on May 18, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Mystics are a cherished jewel among the professional teams in and representing the District of Columbia.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Washington Mystics Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates The Washington Mystics for the valuable contribution they have made to the District of Columbia and declares May 27, 2006 as Washington Mystics Day in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-272

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick, Ph.D., D.D., the Archbishop of Washington and Chancellor of the Catholic University of America in conjunction to his retirement, on May 16, 2006.

WHEREAS, Theodore Edgar McCarrick was born in New York City in 1930;

WHEREAS, Theodore Edgar McCarrick was Ordained Priest in 1958, Ordained Bishop in 1977, and was Elevated to Cardinal in 2001;

WHEREAS, Theodore Edgar McCarrick entered St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers, NY, where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in 1954 and a Master's Degree in History in 1958, then went on to earn a Master's Degree in Social Sciences and a Ph.D. in Sociology from The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.;

WHEREAS, Theodore Edgar McCarrick has demonstrated faithful and fierce advocacy of religious freedom, human rights, humanitarian outreach, and debt relief for the poorest of nations;

WHEREAS, Theodore Edgar McCarrick's first assignment was as assistant chaplain of Catholic University, where he went on to serve as dean of students and as director of development, he was named president of the Catholic University of Puerto Rico in Ponce in 1965;

WHEREAS, Theodore Edgar McCarrick was named by Pope Paul VI the Auxiliary Bishop of New York in 1977 serving as auxiliary bishop, he served as Vicar of East Manhattan and the Harlems, and Pope John Paul II appointed him to be the first Bishop of Metuchen, New Jersey when the diocese was established in 1981;

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WHEREAS, Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick was elected to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) elected then-Archbishop McCarrick to head its Committee on Migration in 1986 and again in 1992, then in 1992, he also was named to head the Committee for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and was elected in 1996 as chair of the Committee on International Policy. He remains a member of that committee and, in November 2001, was elected Chairman of the Domestic Policy Committee. Other USCCB committees on which the Cardinal has served are Administrative, Doctrine, Laity, Latin America and the Missions. He was elected one of 15 U.S. bishops to serve as a member of the Synod for America held in 1997;

WHEREAS, Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick served as the fourth Archbishop of Newark, New Jersey from 1986 until his appointment to the Archdiocese of Washington, then on February 21, 2001, just seven weeks after he was installed as the Archbishop of Washington, he was elevated to the College of Cardinals by Pope John Paul II.

WHEREAS, Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick, has received numerous citations and awards including the Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Human Rights awarded by President William Clinton in December 2000;

WHEREAS, Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick has traveled extensively to the former Soviet Union, the Balkans, the countries devastated by Hurricane Mitch, East Timor, Ethiopia, Burundi, Cuba, Haiti, and Colombia to advocate for human rights, to seek justice for immigrants and refugees, to lend aid to the homeless and the hungry, to champion religious freedom and advocating debt relief for developing countries;

WHEREAS, Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick speaks five languages: English, French, German, Italian and Spanish; and

WHEREAS, Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick has demonstrated a lifelong, commitment to stimulate the minds, soothe the hearts, and speak to the souls of men and women in need of compassion and support retired as Archbishop of Washington, District of Columbia, USA on May 16, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick Recognition Resolution of 2006".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Cardinal Theodore Edgar McCarrick for the valuable contribution he has made to the world and to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-273

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl in conjunction to his being installed as the sixth Archbishop of Washington, on June 22, 2006.

WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on November 12, 1940;

WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl received graduate degrees from The Catholic University of America, the Gregorian University in Rome and his doctorate in theology from the University of St. Thomas in Rome in 1974;

WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl was ordained to the priesthood on December 17, 1966, and ordained a bishop on January 6, 1986, in St. Peter's Basilica, Rome;

WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl was installed as the 11th bishop of Pittsburgh on February 12, 1988, where he is spiritual leader of some 800,000 Catholics in 215 parishes throughout Southwestern Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl has been honored by numerous organizations, including the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the American Red Cross and Bnai Zion. He also received the prestigious Elizabeth Ann Seton award from the National Catholic Education Association for his ongoing work as a teacher and educator during the course of his 16 years as Bishop of Pittsburgh;

WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl serves on numerous national and international bodies, is Chair of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops editorial oversight board for the U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults, a member of the USCCB Committee on Catechesis and past Chair of the conference's committee on Education, Chairman of the Board of the National Catholic Bioethics Center and Vice President of the Executive Board of the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center with extensive involvement in the Center's Intercultural Forum;

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WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl was appointed Archbishop-Designate of Washington, D.C. on May 16, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl will be installed as the Archbishop of Washington on June 22, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Archbishop-Designate Donald W. Wuerl on the occasion of his installation as the sixth of Washington.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-274

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor the outstanding and historically significant contributions of the late Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Sr., and Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., who are being remembered at the "Calvin and Wilhelmina Rolark Memorial Scholarship Luncheon" on June 8, 2006.

WHEREAS, Calvin W. Rolark and Wilhelmina J. Rolark met in 1960 and the two were wed in 1963;

WHEREAS, Wilhelmina J. Rolark began her law career by working as a civil rights attorney during the 1940's;

WHEREAS, Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., founded the National Association for Black Women Attorneys during the 1950's;

WHEREAS, Dr. Calvin W. Rolark and Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., recognized a need to report positive news about the Black community and founded the Washington Informer Newspaper in 1966;

WHEREAS, Dr. Calvin W. Rolark and Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., founded the United Black Fund of Greater Washington in 1969 and served in numerous leadership positions;

WHEREAS, Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Sr., a renowned community activist, humanitarian, crusading publisher-journalist, civil rights pioneer and civic leader, nurtured and developed the United Black Fund as a direct consequence of the disparity of charitable giving during the 1960's in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Wilhelmina J. Rolark was elected to the Council of the District of Columbia as the Ward 8 Councilmember in 1976 and served four consecutive terms until 1993;

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WHEREAS, Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Sr. and Wilhemina J. Rolark, Esq.'s joint legacy continues to have a positive impact upon the lives of thousands of residents of the Greater Washington Area as demonstrated by the United Black Fund currently supporting over 31 member agencies and providing crucial funding assistance;

WHEREAS, Wilhelmina J. Rolark and Dr. Calvin W. Rolark were inseparable in life and worked in tandem to improve the lives of the poor and disadvantaged in the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia joins the United Black Fund in celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Sr. and Wilhemina J. Rolark, Esq.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Calvin and Wilhemina Rolark Memorial Scholarship Luncheon Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the accomplishments and contributions of Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Sr., and Wilhemina J. Rolark, Esq., for the valuable contribution they and the United Black Fund has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-275

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To raise awareness about the importance of being tested regularly for HIV/AIDS and practicing positive lifestyle choices to reduce the risk of transmission of the virus, and to declare June 27, 2006, as "HIV Testing Day 2006" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the National Association of People With AIDS, the oldest national AIDS organization in the United States, in 1995 began a campaign known as the National HIV Testing Day, in recognition and alarm about the growing number of HIV infections in heavily impacted communities, notably communities of color;

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control estimates that almost one quarter of those living with the disease nationwide are unaware they are infected;

WHEREAS, individuals may not get tested or return for results due to the stigma associated with HIV/AIDS, and the potential detriment a positive diagnosis will have on self-image and family and social relationships;

WHEREAS, knowledge of HIV status is critical to making healthy choices in lifestyle behavior, and represents the acceptance of responsibility for personal health;

WHEREAS, studies indicate that individuals who know they are HIV-positive are more likely to change their behavior to reduce the risk of spreading the infection to others and to seek appropriate care and treatment for themselves;

WHEREAS, HIV/AIDS has become a major health threat to African-Americans, the Latino community, women, and the poor and disenfranchised;

WHEREAS, African-Americans represent close to 60% of the population of the District of Columbia, and African-Americans are the single group most affected by HIV/AIDS, representing 40% of total cases in the United States;

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WHEREAS, studies have found a direct correlation between higher AIDS incidence and lower income, and nearly 1 in 4 African-Americans live in poverty;

WHEREAS, Latinos accounted for 20% of people living with AIDS in the United States in 2003, made up 20% of new diagnoses, and currently represent approximately 8% of the District population;

WHEREAS, women comprised 30% of all reported HIV infections in 2003, and the lack of awareness of women's risk of HIV often results in testing and diagnosis later in infection for women;

WHEREAS, at least half of the people becoming infected with HIV each year are under the age of 25, and African-American teens accounted for 65% of new AIDS cases in teens in 2002;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has the highest rate of new AIDS cases of any major U.S. city and is by some accounts 10 to 15 years behind where it should be in responding to the HIV/AIDS epidemic;

WHEREAS, District public health officials estimate that 1 out of every 20 District residents is infected with HIV; and

WHEREAS, the District's Administration for HIV Policy and Programs is committed to reducing the incidence of HIV/AIDS and the number of deaths related to HIV/AIDS in the District of Columbia by the application of strong public health practices and initiatives.

**RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "HIV Testing Day Resolution of 2006".**

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby declares June 27, 2006 as HIV Testing Day in Washington, DC, encourages all District residents to take part in activities, programs and observances designed to increase awareness and understanding of HIV/AIDS, and urges all District residents to "Take Control and Take the Test."

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-276

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To highlight the ongoing struggles faced by individuals following a diagnosis of cancer, and to declare June 4, 2006, as "Cancer Survivors Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, National Cancer Survivor's Day, now in its 19<sup>th</sup> year, is a worldwide Celebration of Life held in hundreds of communities to show that quality life after cancer can be a reality;

WHEREAS, a diagnosis of cancer threatens a person's physical, psychological, social, spiritual, and economic well-being;

WHEREAS, individuals are deemed cancer survivors from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of life;

WHEREAS, knowledge, hope, and inspiration are key elements in winning the fight against cancer;

WHEREAS, for every direct survivor of cancer, three other people close to the survivor are significantly affected by the diagnosis;

WHEREAS, surviving cancer often results in individuals finding renewed meaning in their lives and building stronger connections with their loved ones;

WHEREAS, there are 10 million cancer survivors nationally and about 20,000 cancer survivors in the District;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has the highest overall cancer mortality rate in the United States, at 229 per 100,000 people;

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WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has the highest breast cancer mortality rates in the United States, at 34 per 100,000 women, the highest prostate cancer mortality rates, at 42 per 100,000 men, and the highest colon-rectal cancer mortality rate, at 24.5 per 100,000 persons;

WHEREAS, in response to cancer mortality rates, the District Department of Health in 2001 created the DC Cancer Coalition, a partnership of fifty-three public and private institutions, in order to develop the DC Cancer Plan and have a greater impact on cancer in the District;

WHEREAS, the DC Cancer Coalition recognizes the overarching goals of reducing cancer incidence and mortality, reducing racial and ethnic disparities in cancer treatment, and improving the quality of life of cancer survivors;

WHEREAS, the greatest need for cancer survivors is good, timely, accessible screening programs, medical treatment, and primary care;

WHEREAS, the District is fortunate enough to have eight hospitals with cancer programs approved by the American College of Surgeons, and a wealth of local and national cancer resources in the Greater Washington Area; and

WHEREAS, the District has recently begun a massive program to provide health insurance to District residents, hopefully leading to earlier detection and timelier treatment for individuals diagnosed with cancer.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Cancer Survivors Day Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia offers support for National Cancer Survivors Day in admiration of the strength of spirit of our area cancer survivors, and encourages citizens to recognize the importance of early detection and treatment to cancer survivorship.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-277

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To celebrate the new home of the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts in Adams Morgan, and to declare June 15, 2006, as "Patricia M. Sitar Center in Adams Morgan Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Rhonda Buckley founded the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts in 1998;

WHEREAS, the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts serves as a safe haven for up to 300 students from the community after school;

WHEREAS, students at the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts learn music, dance, drama, writing, and visual art;

WHEREAS, most students at the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts pay only \$15 per semester;

WHEREAS, the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts began leasing its space at 1700 Kalorama Road, N.W., in 2003;

WHEREAS, the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts began operating its programs in that space in September, 2004;

WHEREAS, the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts, through the generosity of its donors and the assistance of the District of Columbia government, was able to purchase its space on April 7, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the supporters, students and staff of the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts gathered June 5, 2006 to celebrate the purchase of the new facility.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Patricia M. Sitar Center in Adams Morgan Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia celebrates the new home of the Patricia M. Sitar Center for the Arts; and declares June 15, 2006 as "Patricia M. Sitar Center in Adams Morgan Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-278

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and support *Men's Health Week*, as it seeks to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys in the District of Columbia, and to declare the week of June 12-18, 2006 as "Men's Health Week 2006" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, National Men's Health Week, signed into law by President Clinton in 1994, is an annual event held each year in the week leading up to Father's Day to raise awareness of men's health issues and encourage men to implement positive lifestyles for themselves and their families;

WHEREAS, on average, men live seven years less than women, and are nearly 100% less likely than women to visit a doctor for annual exams or preventative services;

WHEREAS, men die at higher rates than women from the top 10 causes of death and are over twice as likely to die from accidents and violence;

WHEREAS, the chance of a man developing prostate cancer is 1 in 11, and prostate cancer makes up 37% of all cancer cases but receives only 5% of research funding;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia death rates for men from diabetes, cancer, and heart disease are all higher than the national death rates for men for those conditions;

WHEREAS, because of the impact on wives, mothers, daughters and sisters, men's health is truly a family issue;

WHEREAS, significant numbers of male-health related problems such as prostate, testicular and colon cancers could be detected and treated if men's awareness of these problems was more pervasive;

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WHEREAS, in recognition of men's health issues, the District of Columbia Department of Health has sponsored a two-tiered men's health initiative to encourage and promote healthy lifestyles for men and make available resources for prevention and treatment of chronic diseases; and

WHEREAS, men who are educated about the role that preventative health can play in prolonging their lifespan will be more likely to participate in health screenings.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Men's Health Week Declaration Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby declares our support for *Men's Health Week* in Washington, D.C., and encourages all residents, male and female, throughout the eight wards of the city to promote positive lifestyle choices and encourage men to place a priority on their own health, and declares June 12-18, 2006 as "Men's Health Week 2006."

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-279

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To posthumously recognize the life and work of Damu Smith, and to declare May 5, 2006, as "Damu Smith Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, LeRoy Wesley Smith came to the District of Columbia in 1973 to study at Antioch College;

WHEREAS, LeRoy Wesley Smith became an activist early in life, working on the effort for a national holiday to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.;

WHEREAS, LeRoy Wesley Smith took part in the battle against apartheid in South Africa;

WHEREAS, LeRoy Wesley Smith took the name Damu, meaning "blood, leadership and strength" in the Swahili language of Kenya;

WHEREAS; Damu Smith coordinated the first National People of Color Environmental Leadership Summit in 1991;

WHEREAS, Damu Smith founded the National Black Environmental Justice Network;

WHEREAS, Damu Smith co-hosted the "Spirit in Action" show on WPFW radio; and

WHEREAS, Damu Smith passed away on May 5, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Damu Smith Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously celebrates the life and work of Damu Smith, and declares May 5, 2006 as "Damu Smith Day" in the District of Columbia.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-280

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor DC Strokes Rowing Club and to declare June 3, 2006 as "Stonewall Regatta Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, DC Strokes Rowing Club primary mission is to introduce and promote the sport of rowing to the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender ("GLBT") community;

WHEREAS, DC Strokes Rowing Club provides competitive and recreational rowing opportunities in a safe and supportive environment and educates the public about rowing and the contributions by the GLBT community and the DC Strokes Rowing Club DC Strokes Rowing Club ("DCSRC") ;

WHEREAS, DC Strokes Rowing Club DC Strokes Rowing Club has served the Washington, D.C. Community since 1991, first on the Potomac River and now on the Anacostia River, out of the Anacostia Community Boathouse;

WHEREAS, the Stonewall Regatta serves as the DC Strokes Rowing Club's flagship event and provides numerous free volunteer opportunities (60+ per year) to the local DC Southeast community, GLBT community, and rowing community to learn about rowing and the fundamentals of a regatta; and

WHEREAS, the Stonewall Regatta allows the DC Strokes Rowing Club to work with numerous other GLBT sports clubs and organizations in relation to the Stonewall Regatta to raise awareness about GLBT sports and the DCSRC mission and the sport of rowing.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "DC Strokes Rowing Club and Stonewall Regatta Declaration Day Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates DC Strokes Rowing Club for the valuable contribution it has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-281

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To raise awareness about the health concerns specific to adolescents, and to declare June 19, 2006, as "Adolescent Wellness Day 2006" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Adolescent Wellness Day 2006 shall be marked by the Adolescent Wellness Forum, part of a larger initiative by the District of Columbia Primary Care Association and the DC Area Health Education Center to build a major intervention and prevention initiative focused on youth health;

WHEREAS, the Forum is guided by the idea that "wellness" does not merely encompass the absence of disease, but rather promotes the idea of a lifetime of healthy choices for adolescents;

WHEREAS, the goals of adolescent wellness are to support nurturing relationships, strong cognitive skills, challenging careers, economic security, and the skills to become a good consumer of health care services, understanding the importance of becoming a decision maker in one's own care;

WHEREAS, many life-threatening health conditions occur in adolescence, and can be reduced by relatively inexpensive health education and support;

WHEREAS, there are many barriers to health care commonly associated with adolescents, including lack of insurance coverage, lack of experience navigating the health care system, doubts about confidentiality of services, inconveniently located services, fragmentation of services, scheduling or appointment problems, co-payment requirements, and transportation;

WHEREAS, adolescent health care is an issue of crucial importance in the District of Columbia, where 20 percent of the total population is under the age of 20, and is as high as 35 percent in some low-income areas of the city;

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WHEREAS, each year, almost one quarter of newly diagnosed HIV infections and other sexually transmitted diseases in the District are among teenagers;

WHEREAS, one in three children under 18 in the District lives under the federal poverty threshold, making them especially vulnerable to stress, poor nutrition, substance abuse, depression, and other related conditions;

WHEREAS, the "Adolescent Ambassadors" program enrolls young residents in a ten-week curricular training program, and includes mentoring by DC-area professionals on such issues as the "medical homes" concept of care, standards in the provision of adolescent medicine, legal factors affecting health care for adolescents, and financial health and its impact on one's ability to live a well life; and

WHEREAS, the Forum hopes to further the process of recognizing and standardizing guidelines for Adolescent Friendly Health Centers in the District, and adopt a comprehensive Adolescent Bill of Rights for the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Adolescent Wellness Day Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby declares its support for Adolescent Wellness Day, encourages all District residents to take an active role in educating young people on health issues and resources, joins the national effort to promote healthy decision-making among adolescents, and declares June 19, 2006 as "Adolescent Wellness Day 2006" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-282

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize Alfre "Tre" Kelley for outstanding accomplishments as an athlete who combines excellence in sports with educational pursuits that inspire other youth to excel in school and reach their full potential as residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Alfre "Tre" Kelley is a native Washingtonian from Brookland Manor in Ward Five;

WHEREAS, Alfre "Tre" Kelley attended Dunbar Senior High School and excelled in basketball and was among the top 25 students of the sport in his ninth year of school;

WHEREAS, Alfre "Tre" Kelley while in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade averaged 29 points as a point guard and was selected to the All Metro team during his junior and senior years in high school;

WHEREAS, Alfre "Tre" Kelley in his last year of high school led the Dunbar Senior High School Basketball Team to the District championship;

WHEREAS, Alfre "Tre" Kelley is a junior on the basketball team for the University of South Carolina, the 2005 and 2006 National Invitation Tournament Champions, and has led the team with 3.6 assists per game; averaging 11.6 points as the only player to start all 29 regular season games;

WHEREAS, Alfre "Tre" Kelley is majoring in Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management at the University of South Carolina with plans to further his athletic and educational careers after graduation; and

WHEREAS, Alfre "Tre" Kelley overcame personal loss and tragedy to channel his athletic abilities into a promising career in sports that has been inspirational for many young people in the area where he grew up.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Alfre "Tre" Kelley Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Alfre "Tre" Kelley for providing examples of achievement in sports and education to encourage youth in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-283

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize and honor Team DC as its members prepare to participate in the upcoming Gay Games VII in Chicago, Illinois and the first World Outgames in Montreal, Canada.

WHEREAS, Team DC serves as the umbrella organization of Gay and Lesbian sport clubs in the greater Washington, DC area including the D.C. Frontrunners, the D.C. Aquatics Club, the Federal Triangles Soccer Club, the D.C. Nationals Ice Hockey team, the D.C. Velo Cycling team, the Washington Wetskins Water Polo team, the Washington Renegades Rugby team, the Racketeers Racquetball team, the Capital Area Rainbowlers Association, the Ultimate OUT Frisbee team, the Lambda Links Golf team, the Capital Area Tennis Association, and the Chesapeake and Potomac Softball League;

WHEREAS, these sport teams represent over 2,000 local athletes;

WHEREAS, Team DC seeks to educate its community about the healthy and positive influence of regular exercise and sports competition;

WHEREAS, Team DC works to encourage greater self-esteem and confidence for Gays and Lesbians through active participation in sports;

WHEREAS, Team DC has helped to expand opportunities for participation in sports for Gays and Lesbians on the recreational and competitive level;

WHEREAS, Team DC is a strong advocate for a safe and welcoming arena for all sports competitors, including Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered participants;

WHEREAS, Team DC has been active in the growth of international sports competitions through its membership in the International Federation of Gay Games;

WHEREAS, Team DC has helped organize local participation in the Gay Games and Cultural Festival since 1990, including the upcoming Gay Games VII in Chicago from July 15-23, 2006 and the first World Outgames in Montreal from July 29 – August 5, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Team DC seeks to build greater acceptance for the inclusion of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered athletes at all levels of sports competition.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Team DC Gay Games and Outgames Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council recognizes and honors the accomplishments of Team DC and its member organizations and wishes all of the participants success in the upcoming Gay Games and Outgames.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-284

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize the 39<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States Supreme Court's *Loving v. Virginia* case, striking down laws barring interracial marriages in the United States, and to declare June 12, 2006, as "Loving Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, in 1958, Virginia residents, Richard Loving, who was white and his wife, Mildred, who was considered black under Virginia law, were married in the District because interracial marriage was, at the time, illegal in Virginia;

WHEREAS, the Lovings were arrested and convicted upon their return home to Virginia for violating the state's interracial marriage statute;

WHEREAS, the Lovings' sentence was suspended when they agreed to leave their home and move to the District;

WHEREAS, the Lovings found sanctuary in the District, where they raised three children;

WHEREAS, the Lovings nonetheless appealed their conviction and on June 12, 1967, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down the Virginia interracial marriage ban law and similar laws in 16 other states;

WHEREAS, the courage of the Loving family is an inspiration to us all and a true example of perseverance, triumph, and justice in the face of great struggle;

WHEREAS, the Loving family advanced the cause of the Civil Rights Movement; and

WHEREAS, residents of the District continue to celebrate the legal and moral victory the Loving family won for all of us.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Loving Day Declaration Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the perseverance and courage of the Loving family, celebrates the anniversary of the Supreme Court's *Loving v. Virginia* decision, and declares June 12, 2006, to be "Loving Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-285

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize Mr. Benjamin "Benny" J. McCottry, for his 39 years of service to the District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation and upon his retirement from the District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation.

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry began his career with the Department of Parks and Recreation in 1967 as a summer lifeguard;

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry continued to work during the summer as a lifeguard until, upon graduating from Howard University, he accepted a full-time position with the Department of Parks and Recreation as an Assistant Aquatic Facility Manager;

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry rose in rank in the Aquatics Program until he eventually became the Chief of Aquatics;

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry expanded his commitment to the Department of Parks and Recreation by next serving as the Special Assistant to the Administrator for Special Programs;

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry's subsequent promotion within the Department of Parks and Recreation was to the position of Administrator of the Special Populations Division;

WHEREAS, in 1985, Mr. McCottry, working with the late William Rumsey, helped found the now nationally known Black History Invitational Swim Meet;

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry oversaw the development of the Department of Parks and Recreation's Environmental Education Center, which not only provides an educational and safe after school environment for many children of the District of Columbia, but also achieved recognition from the National Wildlife Federation, receiving the National Conservation Achievement Award;

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry has most recently served the Department of Parks and Recreation as the Chief of the Senior Services Division, as the Acting Manager of the Aquatics Division and has overseen the Cultural Arts Programming;

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry helped to organize the 15<sup>th</sup> Street Presbyterian Church Gospel Choir, which, for more than twenty years, has enriched the lives of our city's senior citizens through the gift of music;

WHEREAS, in 2002, Mr. McCottry was recognized for his innovative and multi-faceted career with the Department of Parks and Recreation, when – out of 240 candidates – he was selected as one of five distinguished District Government employees to receive a Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McCottry has dedicated four decades of his life to the citizens of the District of Columbia through his service to the Department of Parks and Recreation, gaining the utmost respect from his colleagues at the Department of Parks and Recreation and exhibiting his enthusiastic dedication to the improvement of the physical fitness and the mental acuity of all our city's residents.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Benjamin J. McCottry Service to, and Retirement from, the District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia congratulates Mr. Benjamin J. McCottry upon his retirement.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-286

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To commemorate the 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Ayuda, Inc., and to declare June 15, 2006, as "Ayuda Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., was incorporated in 1973;

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc.'s mission is to defend the legal rights of low-income immigrants in the D.C. metropolitan area;

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., promotes social justice and client empowerment through high-quality program activities related to immigration, human trafficking, domestic violence and family law;

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., is one of the District's leading providers of legal services and social assistance for low-income Latinos and foreign-born persons;

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., is the only agency to serve low-income immigrant victims of domestic violence on a walk-in basis in the entire metropolitan area;

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., provides training and technical assistance to enable organizations and practitioners to better serve immigrant communities;

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., provides collaboration and referrals to assure client access to culturally appropriate services;

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., seeks to build community and promote the availability of comprehensive services for immigrant families; and

WHEREAS, Ayuda, Inc., is celebrating its 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary with an Annual Gala on June 15, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Ayuda, Inc. Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commemorates the 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Ayuda, Inc., and declares June 15, 2006 as "Ayuda Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-287

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To celebrate the Fourteenth Anniversary of D.C. Caribbean Carnival, to recognize the important work of D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc., and to declare June 24 through June 25, 2006, as "D.C. Caribbean Carnival Weekend" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc., a nonprofit organization incorporated in the District of Columbia and located on Georgia Avenue, N.W., is celebrating the Fourteenth Anniversary of its Annual Mardi Gras Parade and Festival;

WHEREAS, D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc. was formed in June 1993 with a commitment to establishing and maintaining a Caribbean Carnival Extravaganza in Washington, D.C.— the Nation's Capital;

WHEREAS, the citizens of the District of Columbia welcome the opportunities afforded organizations like D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc. to showcase the potpourri of cultures that harmoniously exist in Washington, D.C., the Nation's Capital;

WHEREAS, D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc. has continued to strive for excellence in public satisfaction through dance and a display of colorful costumed portrayals by masqueraders, both children and adults, as well as steelbands, calypso/soca music and Haitian music;

WHEREAS, D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc. has staged a free program for residents and visitors to the Nation's Capital which is complimented by the food, arts and craft and festive atmosphere along the parade route and at the Banneker Community Center Complex; and

WHEREAS, D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc. has staged one of the largest cultural events in Washington, D.C. which has attracted audiences of all ages, income and ethnic backgrounds from across the city and from the major urban cities throughout the United States, Canada and the Caribbean region.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA That this resolution may be cited as the "D.C. Caribbean Carnival Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby commends D.C. Caribbean Carnival, Inc. for its ten years of excellence in our community, and invites citizens and visitors to join this public acknowledgement of their accomplishments and commitment to the arts, and declares June 24 through June 25, 2006, as "D.C. Caribbean Carnival Weekend" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

**A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION**

**16-288**

**IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**June 6, 2006**

To recognize and honor the High Tea Society in conjunction with the Capital Catwalk Salon '06, on June 11, 2006.

WHEREAS, the Capital Catwalk Salon was created by Mariessa Terrell, Executive Director of the High Tea Society to showcase Washington, D.C., as a fashion capital in 2004;

WHEREAS, the Capital Catwalk Salon celebrates international and national style icons whose social grace, business acumen, and personal panache inspire others to greatness;

WHEREAS, the Capital Catwalk is a fashion showcase inspired by the epochal Battle of Versailles and features celebrity guest designers and collections;

WHEREAS, the Capital Catwalk will recognize super style stars Andre Leon Talley (Editor-At-Large, Vogue Magazine), Darlene Mathis (interior designer and owner of Collectibles Gallery) and Dr. Dorothy Height (Chair Emeritus of National Council of Negro Women and recipient of Congressional Gold Medal, Presidential Medal of Freedom); and

WHEREAS, the Capital Catwalk will benefit the High Tea Society founded by the Honorable Judge Mary Terrell to mentor girls aged 10 to 18 years of age in the D.C. Public Schools in 1997.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "High Tea Society Capital Catwalk Salon '06 Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, and honors the High Tea Society for the valuable contribution it has made to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-289

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To commemorate the annual block party of the Monroe Street Association, and to declare June 10, 2006, as "Monroe Street Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the late Dorothy Patton began the Monroe Street Block Association more than 20 years ago to represent the 1400 and 1500 blocks of Monroe Street, N.W.;

WHEREAS, meetings of that early organization took place at St. Stephen's Church and included members of the Metropolitan Police Department's Fourth District;

WHEREAS, after years of dormancy, Rich Kedzor and Fran Robertson resurrected the Monroe Street Association in 1999;

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jim Graham attended the first meeting of the new organization;

WHEREAS, the Monroe Street Association has elected officers every year and held meetings every month since that time;

WHEREAS, the Monroe Street Association is among the most active civic groups in the District of Columbia, with involvement in nearly every aspect of government; and

WHEREAS, members of the Monroe Street Association, led by chairman Mark Andersen, gathered for their annual picnic on June 10, 2006.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Monroe Street Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia commemorates the annual block party of the Monroe Street Association; and declares June 10, 2006 as "Monroe Street Day" in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

16-290

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 6, 2006

To recognize, honor and congratulate the Washington Baseball Club for its successful efforts to return the national pastime to the nation's capital, and to express appreciation to the Washington Baseball Club for working in partnership with the District government to ensure that the Washington Nationals team has already become a great source of pride and unity for the city and the entire region.

WHEREAS, in July 1999 a group of Washingtonians dedicated to returning a Major League Baseball team to Washington, D.C., formed the Washington Baseball Club to work in partnership with the District of Columbia to re-establish the national pastime in the nation's capital, and to dispel the myth that there was no local business leadership to support the effort;

WHEREAS, the founding members of the Washington Baseball Club ("WBC") consisted of 11 distinguished community and business leaders who have devoted considerable time and energy to its activities, including the following general partners: leader Frederic V. Malek, chairman of Thayer Capital Partners and a former partner in the Texas Rangers; co-leader Jeffrey Zients, former chairman of the board of The Advisory Board Company; Franklin D. Raines, former chairman and chief executive officer ("CEO") of Fannie Mae; James V. Kimsey, founding CEO and chairman emeritus of America Online; Joseph E. Robert, Jr., chairman and CEO of J.E. Robert Companies; David Bradley, chairman and owner of Atlantic Media Company; Stephen W. Porter, senior partner at Arnold & Porter; Paul Martin Wolff, senior partner at Williams & Connally; and the following limited partners: Darrell Green, former Washington Redskin and executive director of the Darrell Green Youth Life Foundation; Dennis Hightower, former president of Walt Disney Television and Telecommunications; and Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., senior managing director of Lazard Freres & Co. LLC;

WHEREAS, Winston Lord has served as the executive director of WBC during its entire tenure and has worked tirelessly in support of WBC's efforts to bring baseball to Washington and to expand the group's and baseball's exposure in this city;

WHEREAS, WBC created a database of 20,000 citizens to raise the awareness of MLB of the benefits of moving the Montreal Expos here as opposed to other venues;

WHEREAS, WBC paid for the District's site selection process and held town hall meetings throughout the city;

WHEREAS, WBC represented the District of Columbia at all of Major League Baseball's All-Star games from the time of its formation, and lobbied for the District over other venues which were in contention, including but not limited to Northern Virginia;

WHEREAS, WBC paid for studies on Washington demographics to demonstrate that the District could support a Major League Baseball ("MLB") franchise, that the Washington metropolitan area did not include Baltimore, and that an MLB team would be more successful in the city than in suburban Virginia;

WHEREAS, WBC's efforts in representing the District's interests were clearly instrumental in the September 2004 decision of MLB to relocate the Montreal franchise to Washington and restore our city to its rightful place in the major leagues after a 34-year absence;

WHEREAS, WBC turned over its database of supporters to MLB after the decision was made to relocate the Expos to Washington, which formed the core of the season ticket sales which the franchise accomplished in its first year, 2005;

WHEREAS, WBC has spent close to \$3 million during its 7-year existence; and

WHEREAS, WBC, while unsuccessful in its bid to be selected by MLB as the new owner of the Washington Nationals, from the outset set a high standard for other bidding groups to emulate, particularly with respect to local ownership, community benefits, and employment opportunities for the residents of the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Washington Baseball Club Recognition Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates the Washington Baseball Club for its successful efforts to return the national pastime to the nation's capital, and expresses appreciation to WBC for working in partnership with the District government to ensure that the Washington Nationals team has already become a great source of pride and unity for the city and the entire region.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.