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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 3, 2005

To recognize and support the *Covering the Uninsured Week* campaign, as it seeks to ensure that all Americans have access to affordable health coverage, private or public, and to declare the week of May 1-8, 2005 as "Covering the Uninsured Week 2005" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, contrary to the common view that Americans without coverage get the care they need, the U.S. health care system is too fragmented and uncoordinated to adequately meet the health care needs of the uninsured;

WHEREAS, 45 million Americans lack coverage of any kind, representing 15.6% of the total U.S. population;

WHEREAS, fewer families and individuals can afford to pay for coverage as the price of health care continues to rise;

WHEREAS, eight in ten of the uninsured live in working families that cannot afford health insurance and are not eligible for public programs;

WHEREAS, fewer small businesses are able to provide coverage to their employees, and those that do are struggling to retain the coverage that they offer;

WHEREAS, in 2004 health insurance premiums increased 11.2%, compared with a 2% increase in consumer prices and earnings;

WHEREAS, 8.4 million uninsured are children, which is nearly 20% of all uninsured Americans;

WHEREAS, an estimated 5 million uninsured children are eligible for the State Children's Health Insurance Program or Medicaid but are not enrolled;

WHEREAS, 14.3% of the District population, 79,000 residents, do not have health insurance;

WHEREAS, the District's expansion of Medicaid and the creation of the DC HealthCare Alliance are improving health outcomes for low-income District residents and saving the District government money by increasing access to primary care;

WHEREAS, by 1999, the District guaranteed health insurance to all families with incomes under 200% of the poverty level, one of the broadest eligibility policies in the nation;

WHEREAS, since 1998, the District government has expanded the number of low-income people covered by District-mandated health benefits from 112,000 to 164,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, the highest proportions of adults without health insurance in the District are located in zip codes 20020, 20002, 20009, 20010, and 20011- the eastern and central portions of the District.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Covering the Uninsured Week Declaration Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the urgency in solving the problem of uninsured Americans, and hereby declares its support for *Covering the Uninsured Week* in Washington, D.C., encourage participation of all citizens in the various *Week* activities, and declares May 1-8, 2005 as "Covering the Uninsured Week 2005" 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

May 3, 2005

To recognize and honor New Commandment Baptist Church and the Reverend Dr. Stephen E. Tucker on their Fifteenth Anniversary, and to declare May 14, 2005 as "New Commandment Baptist Church Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, a small circle of eighteen faithful, dedicated, spiritually focused individuals met in a tiny classroom in Ward One 15 years ago to form a vibrant, citywide, inner-city District centered ministry to help others from faith to fruitfulness;

WHEREAS, New Commandment Baptist Church grew from eighteen faith-filled individuals to one-thousand congregants today at 625 Park Rd., N.W., in Ward One;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Stephen E. Tucker demonstrated an unwavering commitment to the social and spiritual advancement of his congregants and community residents, while raising his two daughters, Kimberley and Steffani, with his lovely wife of twenty-seven years, Roberta R. Tucker;

WHEREAS, in 2002 the Reverend Dr. Stephen E. Tucker was recognized for helping to create safer communities by Chief Charles Ramsey with the Chief of Police Special Award;

WHEREAS, New Commandment Baptist Church helped initiate the first Georgia Avenue Job Fair that attracted nearly one-thousand participants along with the District Department of Employment Services;

WHEREAS, New Commandment Baptist Church has helped feed thousands through its "Feed the Hungry Program" and helped countless Ward One residents from welfare to work and affordable housing;

WHEREAS, New Commandment Baptist Church's "Faith-Based Ex-Offender Re-Entry Services Program" has been rated among the best in the District with contracts with the D.C. Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency and the United States Department of Justice;

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WHEREAS, New Commandment Baptist Church and the good works of the Reverend Dr. Stephen E. Tucker have contributed countless blessings to its congregation and Ward One residents; and

WHEREAS, New Commandment Baptist Church and the Reverend Dr. Stephen E. Tucker will be honored for fifteen years of spiritual and community dedication to the District of Columbia and Ward One on May 14, 2005 .

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL of THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "New Commandment Baptist Church Day Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors New Commandment Baptist Church for 15 years of dedication to education, community enhancement, spiritual enlightenment, and declares May 14, 2005 as "New Commandment Baptist Church 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

May 3, 2005

To honor the HIV Community Coalition on its 10-year anniversary for its invaluable commitment and service to the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has the highest rate of HIV/AIDS in the nation, and an estimated 12,000 District residents are living with HIV and 7,000 are living with AIDS;

WHEREAS, the HIV Community Coalition ("HCC") was organized in 1994 when deaths from AIDS were soaring;

WHEREAS, the Coalition's purpose is to advocate for increased services to meet the exploding need for effective and comprehensive health and social services to the District's underserved communities adversely impacted by HIV or AIDS;

WHEREAS, the Coalition primarily serves the poor and medically vulnerable communities in Wards 6, 7 and 8 of the District;

WHEREAS, the Coalition provides health services, drug treatment, housing, mental health, social and dental services to people living with HIV and AIDS;

WHEREAS, HCC is the only coalition of people living with HIV and AIDS in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area;

WHEREAS, the Board of the HCC comprises mainly people living with HIV or AIDS, former drug addicts, the homeless, ex-offenders and transgender persons;

WHEREAS, HCC aims to provide expanded and essential services among underserved populations to prevent the spread of HIV;

WHEREAS, HCC's services include targeted outreach to marginalized communities; printing prevention materials and public media advertisements; providing an 800-information line in English and Spanish; distribution of condoms; prevention training; and referral services;

WHEREAS, the HCC office is located in Ward 6 near the Navy Yard;

WHEREAS, HCC provides programs that are non-judgmental and respectful of its clients, aiming to increase self-esteem, personal dignity and connection to community; and

WHEREAS, HCC enjoys an experienced and empathetic staff that mirrors the participants served and which embodies the goals of cultural competence and sensitivity.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "HIV Community Coalition 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia expresses our gratitude and that of thousands of District residents to the HIV Community Coalition on this tenth anniversary of their service to our City.

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

May 3, 2005

To commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of the Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division, National Bar Association.

WHEREAS, the Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division, National Bar Association ("GWAC") was founded in 1974 by a group of Washington, D.C., area female lawyers;

WHEREAS, GWAC is a voluntary bar association of approximately 200 lawyers, judges and law students;

WHEREAS, GWAC has distinguished itself within the metropolitan area for its contributions to the legal profession and the Washington Metropolitan Area Community;

WHEREAS, GWAC has been a significant voice on judicial and executive appointments and various legislative issues at both the local and national levels;

WHEREAS, GWAC members have served this community ably as legal advocates in the private and public sectors;

WHEREAS, among the charitable activities supported by the GWAC Foundation are tutoring, an enrichment program at the Malcolm X Elementary School in Anacostia, support of a unit at the Washington Center for Aging Services, and the Legal Intern Placement Program;

WHEREAS, the GWAC Foundation has also provided financial support to the DC Children's Advocacy Center, Running for Recovery, Deborah's Hayride to Christmas, the Women's Legal Defense Fund, and several other organizations throughout the Washington Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, GWAC and its Foundation ably demonstrate how legal professionals can contribute their time and talents to making a positive difference in the community.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Thirtieth Anniversary of the Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division, National Bar Association Recognition Resolution of 2005".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors the dedicated service to the community and celebrates this anniversary of the Greater Washington Area Chapter, Women Lawyers Division, National Bar Association.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 3, 2005

To posthumously recognize and honor John P. Davis for outstanding service to his community as a lawyer, journalist and publisher.

WHEREAS, John P. Davis was an extraordinary civil rights attorney, journalist and publisher of the first African-American national magazine - *Our World*;

WHEREAS, 2005, marks the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of John P. Davis;

WHEREAS, John P. Davis worked on the Joint Committee for National Recovery with Robert C. Weaver;

WHEREAS, John P. Davis was the founder of the Negro National Congress;

WHEREAS, John P. Davis brought successful lawsuits against the District of Columbia Public Schools for failing to admit his child to Noyes Elementary School in the 1940's based upon constitutionally impermissible reasons;

WHEREAS, John P. Davis brought a lawsuit against the Washington Star newspaper for discrimination;

WHEREAS, John P. Davis was editor the American Negro Reference Book;

WHEREAS, John P. Davis' political consciousness to respond to the New Deal legislation grew with his efforts to organize the Negro Industrial League to pressure New Deal agencies to address the needs of African Americans; and

WHEREAS, John P. Davis' life of achievement in so many spheres made him truly one of this century's Renaissance figures whose life should be heralded as a role model for young people everywhere.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "John P. Davis Memorial Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the work of John P. Davis for the betterment of his fellow citizens.

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

May 3, 2005

To recognize and honor the District of Columbia Insurance Federation for providing smoke alarms to District residents.

WHEREAS, there are home fires in the District of Columbia every year that result in the loss of life and significant property damage;

WHEREAS, many of the fires occur in homes that lack smoke alarms;

WHEREAS, smoke alarms are considered the first line of defense in saving lives and avoiding significant damage to homes and personal property;

WHEREAS, many residents still lack smoke alarms;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Fire and Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") Department maintains a *Smoke Alarm Giveaway* program that donates smoke alarms to households in the District that do not have a smoke alarm installed;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Insurance Federation is a nonprofit trade association that is dedicated to improving the lives and protecting the safety of District residents through community education and awareness programs and other activities that are designed to minimize dangers and risks that cause injury and damage to District residents, including the risk of fire;

WHEREAS, members of the District of Columbia Insurance Federation have collected over \$10,000 to purchase more than 3,000 smoke alarms which will enable the DC Fire and EMS Department to increase the number of life saving smoke alarms they distribute to District homeowners; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia wishes to recognize the important contribution made by the District of Columbia Insurance Federation and by those Federation members that made contributions to the *Smoke Alarm Giveaway* program, including: Allstate, USAA, State Farm, Metropolitan Washington Association of Independent Insurance Agents (MWAII), Liberty Mutual Insurance, Prudential Financial/Insurance Company of America, The American Skyline Insurance Company, Guard Insurance Group, Erie Insurance, McLaughlin Companies, Alliance Financial Services, and the McLaughlin Companies.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "District of Columbia Insurance Federation Smoke Alarm Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia expresses its appreciation to the District of Columbia Insurance Federation, the Federation's member companies, producers, agents and brokers who collected and donated monies to provide smoke alarms to District residents, thereby protecting homes and property, saving lives, and improving the overall safety of District residents.

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 7, 2005

To recognize the contributions of Covenant House Washington for a decade of service and to declare May 11, 2005 as "Covenant House Appreciation Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, many District of Columbia youth have been forced to act as adults because of circumstances that have left them hopeless and afraid;

WHEREAS, Covenant House Washington, an exemplary faith-based organization, has made homeless, runaway, and our most vulnerable youth a priority while striving to empower all young people in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, for the past decade, Covenant House Washington has advocated on behalf of young people who have lost their way by providing residential, educational, vocational, legal, and social services;

WHEREAS, Covenant House Washington has guided, nurtured, and provided young people with the necessary tools to enter the world of adult independent living;

WHEREAS, Covenant House Washington youth have been blessed by the extraordinary dedication of the Board of Directors, staff and volunteers who give unstintingly of their time and talents on behalf of our most vulnerable residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Covenant House Washington for a Decade of Service to the young people of this great city.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Covenant House Decade of Service Recognition Resolution of 2005".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the contributions of Covenant House, and declares May 11, 2005 as "Covenant House Appreciation 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 7, 2005

To recognize and honor the DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic on the occasion of its 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and to declare June 22, 2005 as "DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic has adopted as its theme, "Combining the Power of Education and Athletics";

WHEREAS, the DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic Board of Directors and volunteers for the 15 years have involved 2000 student athletes in educational pursuits and athletic competition annually;

WHEREAS, approximately 70% of DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic student athletes have been awarded scholarships at Division One schools;

WHEREAS, the DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic serves as an outlet to other youth organizations in the District of Columbia free of charge; and

WHEREAS, the George Washington University is commended for providing services, facilities and support to the DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, and congratulates the DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic for the valuable contribution it has made to the youth and to the District of Columbia, and declares June 22, 2005 as "DC/Pro-Am Summer Classic Day" in the District of Columbia.

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

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 7, 2005

To recognize and honor The Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., in conjunction with the "Tenth Annual Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Luncheon" and to recognize her lifetime of service and achievement to the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., served as co-founder with her late husband Calvin W. Rolark, Sr., of the United Black Fund in 1969;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., has served the United Black Fund in many capacities over the years from voluntary counsel to the General Counsel, to the current President/CEO;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., served for 4 consecutive terms as the elected member of the Council of the District of Columbia representing Ward 8;

WHEREAS, the legislative record of the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., is one of sponsoring and supporting laws that created the D.C. Energy Office, the Bank Depository Act, increased penalties for PCP distribution, creation of cable television in D.C., the Juvenile Protection Act, the Medical and Geriatric Parole Act and other measures beneficial to the residents of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., is a member of the Unified Bar of the District of Columbia, a practicing attorney, and the founder and President-emeritus of the National Association of Black Attorneys;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., has received awards and commendations in recognition of her tireless efforts; and

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WHEREAS, the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., has continued the legacy of Dr. Calvin W. Rolark and her own tremendous body of work to the benefit of the residents of the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors the Honorable Wilhelmina J. Rolark, Esq., on the occasion of the "Tenth Annual Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Luncheon" and for the valuable contribution she 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 7, 2005

To recognize and honor Harold Benjamin Plummer on the occasion of his retirement from the DC Public Schools after more than 30 years of dedicated service.

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer, a native Washingtonian, was educated in the District of Columbia Public Schools graduating from Spingarn Senior High School in 1959;

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer attended Elizabeth City Teachers College in Elizabeth City, North Carolina and transferred to the District of Columbia Teachers College in 1961;

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer earned a Masters degree from the George Washington University and continued studies at the University of the District of Columbia, Howard University, Virginia Commonwealth University, and George Mason University;

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer has served as a teacher at W. Bruce Evans Jr. High School from 1964-1990, and coached basketball, gymnastics, tennis and track;

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer started a ski program with 27 students that ultimately grew to become the DCIAA/DCPS Educational Ski Program with 75 schools and over 2740 students;

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer has utilized his stellar athletic ability and coaching experience to serves as a mentor to troubled youth;

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer has membership in and has received awards and recognition from many groups and organizations such as the American Alliance of Health Physical Ed, Recreation & Dance (AAHPERD), the DC Alliance of Health, Physical Ed, Recreation & Dance, American Federation of Teachers (AFT), the Council of School Officers (CSO), the Professional Ski Instructors of America (PSIA), the M Club, the Pigskin Club, the

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First Tuesday Breakfast Club, the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Coach of the Year Finalist-Special Sports (Skiing), the Professional Ski Instructor of America Benji Award, the Providence Baptist Church of Upper Marlboro, MD., and many others; and

WHEREAS, Harold Benjamin Plummer was recognized for his more than 30 years of dedicated service to the students of the DC Public Schools at a retirement ceremony in his honor on May 28, 2005.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Harold Benjamin Plummer Retirement Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors Harold Benjamin Plummer on the occasion of his retirement from the DC Public Schools and 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 7, 2005

To honor James N. Short, Jr., on his retirement after 33 years of service to the District of Columbia Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department.

WHEREAS, James N. Short, Jr., was born and raised in Washington, D.C., was educated in the DC Public Schools and graduated from Eastern High School, and is a lifelong resident of Ward 7;

WHEREAS, James N. Short, Jr., was appointed to the Fire Service in August 1971 and served with distinction until his retirement on January 21, 2005;

WHEREAS, James N. Short, Jr., is a long-time member of Brown Memorial AME Church;

WHEREAS, James N. Short, Jr., is the son of Ollie Short and James N. Short, Sr., the father of Kym Elder and Nicole Thompson, and the grandfather of Alan, Aaron, Imani, Nia and Menra;

WHEREAS, James N. Short, Jr., was named Master Mason of the year for the Jurisdiction of the District of Columbia in 1994, and started the Masonic Mentor program at Birney Elementary School in collaboration with Experience Corps of America;

WHEREAS, James N. Short, Jr. serves on the Board of Directors of the Marshall Heights Community Development Organization; and

WHEREAS, James N. Short, Jr. served this city with distinction for 33 years, rising to the position of Deputy Fire Chief, Risk Management Representative for the DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "James N. Short, Jr. Recognition Resolution of 2005".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia applauds James N. Short, Jr., for his years of service to our community, and extends best wishes for a healthy, happy and satisfying 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 7, 2005

To recognize the Potomac River Power Squadron, and to declare Saturday, May 21, 2005 as "Potomac River Power Squadron Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, on Saturday, May 21, 2005, the Potomac River Power Squadron a unit of the United States Power Squadrons ("USAS") which is celebrating its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary, admitted on May 25, 1915, has earned the respect of boating men and women throughout the Washington Metropolitan area, for their many civic service contributions to boating safety;

WHEREAS, the voluntary members have taught their USPS public boating courses to more than 8,000 people to date, and are presently teaching in excess of 200 men, women and youngsters a year;

WHEREAS, the successful completion of the USPS Boating Course meets the educational requirements for boat operation in all states;

WHEREAS, the members of the Potomac River Power Squadron have participated in over 800 Vessel Safety Checks;

WHEREAS, the Potomac River Power Squadron has courses for members in marine subjects from seamanship and piloting to GPS and celestial navigation;

WHEREAS, the members of the Potomac River Power Squadron, working in concert with the National Ocean Service, have provided, and are continuing to provide, hundreds of chart corrections yearly, in order to keep our nation's 1,000 nautical charts up to date;

WHEREAS, the Potomac River Power Squadron has been honored by its National Headquarters for contributions they have made to boating safety; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia calls upon all of our residents to honor the Potomac River Power Squadron and gratefully acknowledges the exceptionally outstanding boating safety contributions which they make to their fellow citizens and to the life of our great city.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Potomac River Power Squadron's Ninetieth Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the Potomac River Power Squadron, and declares May 21, 2005 as "Potomac River Power Squadron 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 2, 2005

To recognize and honor Richard S. Carter for outstanding accomplishments in business and dedicated efforts to improve economic opportunities for local minority businesses as well as for charitable contributions which help improve the quality of life in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is a graduate of Southern University in Louisiana and The Catholic University of America in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter founded in 1972 and is principal and chairman of Urban Service Systems Corporation an environmental services company specializing in waste management and recycling that has grown into a multi-million dollar, multi-fleet operation providing state-of-the-art environmental services throughout the Washington metropolitan area;

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is a principal in the firm Carter & Carter Enterprises, Inc., that distributes water treatment chemicals and principal of South Capitol Street Limited Partnership, specializing in real estate acquisition and the leasing of trucking and transportation equipment as well as a managing partner of the WAVA, LLC, specializing in the operation of waste transfer stations;

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is a member of the DC Chamber of Commerce and the District of Columbia Board of Trade;

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is the founder and former president of the Minority Contractors Assistance Project, Inc. ("MCAP");

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is the founder of the MCAP Bonding and Insurance Agency, Inc. as the first minority surety bonding agency licensed to underwrite bids, payment and performance bonds for major insurance companies;

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is on the Board of Directors of Southeastern University, the BB&T Bank Metro Regional Board and the Iona Whipper Home for Girls;

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is the founder and chairman of the Carter Foundation, established as a family charitable organization and has received numerous awards and citations for his continuous commitment to the community;

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is a member of the Mu Lambda chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Richard S. Carter is a successful businessman with time and effort dedicated to business operations and charitable contributions to residents.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Richard S. Carter Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2 The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Richard S. Carter for commitments to the business community and residents 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 7, 2005

To recognize and honor John Richardson for his many contributions to the Georgetown community, Volta Park and the city of Washington, D.C., and to declare June 12, 2005 as "Volta Park Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Volta Park is one of the oldest parks in the city of Washington, D.C., and over the course of the years has been a central part of the Georgetown community;

WHEREAS, in the fall of 1995, Georgetown resident and Volta Park neighbor, John Richardson, had the vision and initiative to found the "Friends of Volta Park";

WHEREAS, the Friends of Volta Park is a support group dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of the park that to many is the core of the Georgetown resident community;

WHEREAS, in partnership with the District of Columbia, the Friends of Volta Park initiated a number of small projects, including but not limited to planting of flowers and trees and an improved playground; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of the vision and leadership of John Richardson, Volta Park became a model for neighborhood self-help groups throughout the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "John Richardson Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors John Richardson for his many contributions to the citizens of Georgetown, Volta Park and the city of Washington, D.C., and declares June 12, 2005 as "Volta Park 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 7, 2005

To honor and recognize the many contributions Guy Gwynne has made to the city of Washington, D.C., and to declare May 21, 2005 as "Guy Gwynne Day" in the District of Columbia

WHEREAS, Guy Gwynne, President Emeritus of the Federation of Citizens Associations, ("Federation") has worked tirelessly and continuously for over a decade, to enhance the quality of life for the citizens of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Guy Gwynne continues to write articles and serves as editor and publisher of the Federation's Newsletter;

WHEREAS, Guy Gwynne, affectionately known as Mr. Federation, performs as town crier, reminding Federation delegates and member organizations of meetings, luncheons and special events;

WHEREAS, Guy Gwynne graciously hosted the Executive Board meetings of the Federation, schedules quarterly luncheons and the Annual Awards Banquet Dinner; and

WHEREAS, Guy Gwynne serves as ambassador of goodwill, chief recruiter for the Federation and coordinator for neighborhood organizations across the city.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Guy Gwynne Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Guy Gwynne, and declares May 27, 2005 as "Guy Gwynne 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 7, 2005

To posthumously honor the life of Joseph Pozell and to recognize his contributions to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell lived in Georgetown for 34 years;

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell was superintendent of the historic Oak Hill Cemetery on R Street, N.W., for many years, where he and his wife lived in quarters on the property;

WHEREAS, for years, Joseph Pozell served on the board of the Georgetown Business and Professional Association;

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell also served on multiple committees of the Citizens Association of Georgetown;

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell had been a civilian volunteer with the Metropolitan Police Department, frequently answering telephones or performing other such tasks that allowed uniformed officers to perform street duties;

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell became an auxiliary officer with the Metropolitan Police Department in 1996;

WHEREAS, in 2002, Joseph Pozell became a reserve officer with the Metropolitan Police Department, which permitted him to direct traffic;

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell decided to become a reserve officer after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001;

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell subsequently took command for directing traffic for long periods of time at Wisconsin Avenue N.W., and M Street N.W., one of the busiest intersections in Washington, D.C.;

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WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell received a funeral procession with full police honors, passing through the intersection at Wisconsin Avenue N.W., and M Street, N.W., at which he had directed traffic;

WHEREAS, firetrucks formed a hook-and-ladder archway at Wisconsin Avenue NW and M Street NW during Joseph Pozell's funeral procession and hundreds of residents, shopowners and office workers stood in silence as the hearse carrying Joseph Pozell passed through this intersection; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Pozell is buried at Oak Hill Cemetery, where he had been superintendent.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Joseph Pozell Memorial Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council recognizes and posthumously honors the life and contributions of Joseph Pozell.

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 7, 2005

To recognize Patricia Nalls for her support of District of Columbia women with HIV/AIDS, and to declare May 26, 2005, "Patricia Nalls Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Patricia Nalls is a mother of two who lost her husband and youngest child to AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nalls has worked for more than 15 years to help women in the District of Columbia protect themselves and survive HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Nalls' work in this area is inspired and informed by her own experience living with HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, The Women's Collective began in Patricia Nalls' living room and now has a dedicated staff of 18 women; and

WHEREAS, the Ms. Foundation recognized Patricia Nalls with its 17<sup>th</sup> annual Gloria Award on May 26, 2005.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Patricia Nalls Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the work of Patricia Nalls and her contributions to the citizens of the District of Columbia; and declares May 26, 2005 as "Patricia Nalls 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 7, 2005

To recognize and honor Charles H. Epps, Jr., M.D., and Roselyn Payne Epps, M.D., M.P.H., M.A., in conjunction with their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on June 25, 2005.

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., and Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps met as Howard University undergraduate student classmates, graduating in 1951 and graduated from the Howard University College of Medicine in 1955;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., trained in Orthopedic Surgery at Freedmen's Hospital and served as chief resident at the District of Columbia General Hospital and served as a captain in the medical corp of the United States Army after training;

WHEREAS, Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps completed her internship and pediatric residency at Freedmen's Hospital and served as chief resident earning a M.P.H. degree from Johns Hopkins University, and a Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies from American University in Washington, D.C.;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., joined the Howard University faculty in 1961 and served as a professor of medicine, division chief of orthopedic surgery and director of residency training, distinguishing himself by mentoring more orthopedic medical students and residents of color than anyone in the world;

WHEREAS, Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps began her public health career as a well baby clinic doctor in the District of Columbia Health Department going on to serve as the Chief of the Infant and Preschool Division, Director of Maternal and Child Services distinguishing herself by serving as chair of the Comprehensive Child Care Plan for the city and being appointed as the first Acting commissioner of Public Health for the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., after serving as a private practitioner from 1961-1988, he founded Epps, Gladden, Rankin, and Manderson, Chartered, during his expansive professional career, he also served as a consultant to the National Institutes of Health, Veteran's

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Administration, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, the United States Naval Hospital, and several federal agencies;

WHEREAS, Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps served as founding director of the High Risk Young People's Project from 1981-1984 while at Howard University, she also was chief of the Child Development center from 1984-1989, and directed several federally funded projects involving child development team assessments and working with parents and schools in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., served as the Director of the Regional Juvenile Amputee Clinic and Orthopedic Program at the Handicapped and Crippled Children's Unit at the District of Columbia General Hospital, where he and his team led the field and he was elected President of the Association of the Child Prosthetic and Orthopedic Clinics;

WHEREAS, Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps worked at the National Institutes of Health where she conceived and directed the research based pediatric program to prevent the onset of smoking by children and youth from 1989-1998;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., began his 6 year tenure as Dean of the Howard University College of Medicine in 1988 where he tripled the endowment and increased the number of endowed chairs, he became Vice President for Health Affairs and served as the acting executive director of Howard University in 1996, and served as special assistant to the President of Howard University before retiring in 2001;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., and Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps are accomplished lecturers, authors and editors, active internationally, nationally and locally in their respective fields, both are pioneers and widely recognized in the medical field;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., and Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps were inducted into the Washington D.C. Hall of Fame in 2005 as recipients of the Legacy Award in Health and have received numerous awards, honors and commendations for their community involvement;

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., and Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps are the parents of four children all born at the Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D.C., and dote upon their four grandsons; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles H. Epps, Jr., and Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps will be celebrating their marriage and life together on June 25, 2005.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Dr. Charles H. Epps and Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates Dr. Charles H. Epps and Dr. Roselyn Payne Epps for the valuable contributions 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 7, 2005

To recognize and honor Mrs. Juanita Hartsfield Hazel, who has given 39 years of dedicated service to the University of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Juanita Hartsfield Hazel was born in Washington, D.C., and graduated from Western High School;

WHEREAS, Juanita Hartsfield Hazel attended college at UDC's Federal City College where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Recreation Education in 1974, and a Master of Arts degree in Counseling in 1979;

WHEREAS, Juanita Hartsfield Hazel, after having been employed at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Department of the Air Force, and the U.S. Department of Navy, began employment with one of UDC's predecessor institutions, Federal City College, in various administrative support positions from 1969-1976;

WHEREAS, Juanita Hartsfield Hazel, with the founding of UDC in 1976, continued employment with the University working in administrative positions to include: Computer Systems Analyst, Women's Program Manager, Management Information Specialist, and her position at the time of retirement, Acting Special Assistant in Management and Technology, and EEO Monitor; and

WHEREAS Juanita Hartsfield Hazel Mrs. Hazel has shown passionate dedication to her profession and the University of the District of Columbia community.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Juanita Hartsfield Hazel Recognition and Appreciation Resolution of 2005".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Juanita Hartsfield Hazel for her generous contribution as an employee of the city of Washington, D.C. for over 39 years.

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

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 7, 2005

To recognize and honor Mr. John F. Mahoney, who is the first District of Columbia teacher to be inducted into the National Teachers Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, John Mahoney graduated in 1965 from Westfield Senior High School in Westfield, New Jersey;

WHEREAS, John Mahoney graduated from Bucknell University with a bachelor's degree in mathematics, and from Temple University with a master's and then Ph. D., in mathematics in 1972;

WHEREAS, John Mahoney taught mathematics in the Philadelphia, Moorestown, and Wilmington public schools from 1971-1977;

WHEREAS, John Mahoney taught mathematics at the Sidwell Friends School from 1977-2001, where he also served as the clerk of the Diversity Committee, advisor to Students Against Drunk Driving, clerk of Religious Life and Community Service Association, computer coordinator, and coach to the Junior Engineering Technical Society teams;

WHEREAS, John Mahoney participated in a teacher exchange with the Truro School in Truro, Cornwall, United Kingdom in 1991-1992;

WHEREAS, John Mahoney has been teaching mathematics at Benjamin Banneker Academic High School from 2001 to the present where he is the advisor to the first robotics competition team, advisor to the science and engineering team, Botball mentor, and has served as the Internal Coordinator for Middle States Accreditation 2004-2006;

WHEREAS, John Mahoney has published several articles in NCTM Mathematics Teacher Magazine, and is the editor for *Eightysomething!* The Texas Instruments' newsletter for graphing calculator users;

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WHEREAS, John Mahoney has shown his devotion to the teaching profession through his countless professional accomplishments that include speaking at national teaching conferences and teacher training seminars;

WHEREAS, John Mahoney has also received several prestigious honors including the All-USA Teacher Team, *USA Today* in 2004, the *Washington Post* Agnes Meyer Outstanding Teacher Award in 2001, and the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching, 1994; and

WHEREAS John F. Mahoney, for his 33 years of passionate dedication to the teaching of mathematics, and to the success of his students, has been added to the National Teacher's Hall of Fame for 2005.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "John F. Mahoney Recognition and Appreciation Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors John Mahoney for his dedication and generous contribution as a teacher and citizen of the District of Columbia.

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

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 7, 2005

To recognize and honor Ms. Sheila M. Ford, on the occasion of her retirement from the District of Columbia public schools after 32 years of dedicated service.

WHEREAS, Sheila Ford was born in West Palm Beach, Florida, and graduated from Lake Worth High School in Palm Beach County, Florida in 1961;

WHEREAS, Sheila Ford went on to receive her bachelor of science degree from Florida State University in 1966, and her master's degree in 1980 from the University of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Sheila Ford began as a teacher and administrator in the District of Columbia Public Schools from 1973 to 1990;

WHEREAS, Sheila Ford became the principal of Horace Mann Elementary School in 1990, a school which has been designated as a U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon School in 1990, 1994, and 2004, and was selected as one of the "Top 50 Schools in the Nation" by *Redbook Magazine* in 1995 ;

WHEREAS, Sheila Ford has received countless awards and recognition for her work as an educator including: nomination for Principal of the Year for Washington, D.C., Fullbright Memorial Fellow, Carnegie Science Fellow, and a participant in the Harvard University Principals Center; and

WHEREAS Sheila Ford has shown a steadfast dedication to the D.C. Public Schools and its students and faculty and to the education profession throughout her 32 years of service.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Sheila M. Ford Recognition and Appreciation Resolution of 2005".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Sheila M. Ford for her steadfast dedication as an educator in the D.C. Public Schools.

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

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 7, 2005

To posthumously recognize and honor Brenda Strong Nixon for her years of dedicated service and committed leadership to community based businesses, at-risk children and youth, the North Capitol community and the city of Washington, D.C.

WHEREAS, Brenda Strong Nixon, the late Executive Director of Associates for Renewal in Education, Inc. ("ARE"), 45 P Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., embodied the spirit of collaboration while building a high quality institution that thrives after her death in 2001;

WHEREAS, Brenda Strong Nixon was a fervent supporter of small and minority owned, community-based businesses;

WHEREAS, Brenda Strong Nixon committed her life's work to improving the outlook for at-risk children and youth;

WHEREAS, ARE has provided services to the Washington, D.C., community for over 30 years and has been a good neighbor in the North Capitol Community for over 20 years;

WHEREAS, ARE continues to thrive and build upon the vision, sense of mission, strengths and joy in service and commitment to the concept of collaboration and partnership that Brenda Strong Nixon brought to ARE;

WHEREAS, ARE continues to provide a continuum of care from early childhood centers to parenting skills programs, to job readiness programs, to educational and residential services for disadvantaged youth, while respecting its client's individuality and safety;

WHEREAS, ARE has always striven to be partner in its community and in making the District of Columbia a better place in which to live and do business;

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WHEREAS, in her many years of service to the children, youth and families of Washington, DC, Brenda Strong Nixon demonstrated her commitment to collaboration as a member of the Consortium for Youth Services, Consortium for Child Welfare, the North Capitol Healthy Families/Thriving Communities Collaborative, the North Capitol Area Business Association, Leadership Washington - Class of 1967, and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority;

WHEREAS, in her life, Brenda Strong Nixon was honored by many diverse organizations and programs for her work including the White House, the Washington DC Urban League, DC Service Corps, DC Community Prevention Partnership, Phi Delta Kappa, Kappa Delta Phi, Education Learning Center (DC Public Schools), Parent Focus, and Mayor Marion S. Barry proclaimed October 2, 1990 as "Brenda Strong Nixon Day";

WHEREAS, ARE has entered into a partnership with Tim Chapman Associates to redevelop the Slater/Langston property on P Street Northwest between North Capitol and First Streets, N.W., that has been ARE's North Capitol Community home; and

WHEREAS, the friends, family and citizens of Washington, D.C., wish to honor the memory and work of Brenda Strong Nixon by celebrating her life and convening the Brenda Strong Nixon Collaborative Breakfast for Youth and Businesses.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Brenda Strong Nixon Collaborative Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia gives honor to the memory of Brenda Strong Nixon, recognizes the June 9, 2005 Brenda Strong Nixon Collaborative Breakfast on Youth and Businesses, and salutes its vision and objectives.

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 7, 2005

To recognize the Peaceoholics Youth Council and its founders, Ronald Moten and Jauhar Abraham, for their service and commitment to the children, youth, and families of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Ronald Moten of Ward 4 and Jauhar Abraham of Ward 8 organized the Peaceoholics in 1997 to provide community based services and positive learning experiences to the youth of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the Peaceoholics were incorporated as a nonprofit organization in the District of Columbia in 2004;

WHEREAS, the Peaceoholics have created programs to promote conflict resolution, HIV/AIDS prevention, substance abuse prevention, gang prevention, and family wellness, touching the lives of over 10,000 youth and families in the District of Columbia and surrounding communities;

WHEREAS, the Peaceoholics have engaged youth to become active in the legislative processes of the District of Columbia to improve the outcomes for youth involved with the juvenile justice system; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia understands the importance of community based organizations such as the Peaceoholics.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Peaceoholics Youth Council Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the Peaceoholics for their years of service to the children, youth, and families of 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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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 7, 2005

To recognize and honor The Honorable Linda W. Cropp, Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, on her recently being named "Outstanding Democratic Woman Holding Office" by the National Federation of Democratic Women.

WHEREAS, Linda W. Cropp is an extraordinary Councilmember who fiercely represents the interests of the citizens of the District of Columbia in her role as Council Chairman;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp has served as Councilmember since 1990, being elected as at-large member;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp began her career in public service more than 30 years ago in the classrooms of the District of Columbia as a teacher and guidance counselor;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp served as Ward 4 representative on the Board of Education, as well as vice-president and later as president of the Board;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp was chosen from nominees from around the nation to receive this prestigious award;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp was nominated for this award by the D.C. Federation of Democratic Women and the Woman's National Democratic Club supported her nomination;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp has been an ardent supporter of D.C. statehood and elective representation in the Congress for the citizens of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp has exhibited a commitment to social and economic programs, and has been courageous in renegotiating the financial plan for a new baseball stadium for the Washington Nationals baseball team that would lessen the burden of citizens of the District of Columbia; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Cropp's life of achievement in so many spheres makes her truly one of this century's Renaissance figures whose life should be heralded as a role model for young people everywhere; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2005, the National Federation of Democratic Women presented Chairman Cropp with the award naming her "Outstanding Democratic Woman Holding Office" at the Woman's National Democratic Club Annual Convention in Kansas City, Kansas.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Linda W. Cropp Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the work of Mrs. Linda W. Cropp for the betterment of her fellow citizens, and congratulates her on receiving the award naming her "Outstanding Democratic Woman Holding Office".

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 2, 2005

To recognize and honor the Michigan Park Christian Church on its 110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a place of worship in the District of Columbia and on the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter for her outstanding accomplishments as senior pastor and professor of religious studies.

WHEREAS, Michigan Park Christian Church is located in Ward Five and respected as a place of worship for residents;

WHEREAS, Michigan Park Christian Church had its beginning in 1895 when Vermont Avenue Christian Church and Ninth Street Christian Church organized a Sunday School in southwest Washington, DC;

WHEREAS, Michigan Park Christian Church in 1914 laid its cornerstone for a new church at a site in southwest area of the city where the congregation worshiped until 1944;

WHEREAS, Michigan Park Christian Church in 1949 broke ground for its current site at South Dakota Avenue and Taylor Street, northeast;

WHEREAS, Michigan Park Christian Church in 1950 dedicated and formalized the name of its edifice in Ward Five;

WHEREAS, Michigan Park Christian Church has expanded upon the original site to include the Arthur Azlein Education Center to honor a 33 year pastorate at the church and in 2000 dedicated its Ministry Development center to meet the needs of physically challenged individuals;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter is the first woman Senior Pastor of Michigan Park Christian Church for the past twenty years;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter earned a bachelor of arts degree from Morgan State University, summa cum laude; a Master of Divinity Degree from Howard University School of Divinity, cum laude; a masters of arts degree from Washington University; and a Doctor of Education degree from Rutgers University;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter began her career in higher education and was the first woman Dean at Essex County College in Newark, New Jersey and worked for the Young Women's Christian Association in Washington, DC and the Fellowship Center in St.

Louis, Missouri;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter is Professor of Religious Education at Howard University School of Divinity;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter has publications which include "The Professionalization of Ministry by Women, "A History of Black Women in Religious Institutions, "Congregational Life and Discipline", and books that include Bible Discovery Leader Guide, Bible Discovery Children's Storybook and General Editor of the African American Heritage Hymnal with latest book A time for Honor: A Portrait of African American Clergywomen;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter in 1994 was among the first seven women ever listed in the Ebony Magazine honor roll of the greatest black preachers in America and in 1997 was featured as one of the fifteen greatest black women preachers in America;

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter serves as the President of the National Convocation of the Christian Church and holds honorary Doctorate of Divinity degrees from Lynchburg College and Southern California School of Ministry; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Park Christian Church and Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter have made significant contributions through dedicated service to the Ward Five community and residents in the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Michigan Park Christian Church and the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter Recognition Resolution Act of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Michigan Park Christian Church and the Reverend Dr. Delores Carpenter for commitments to the quality of life for residents 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.