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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 20, 2005

To recognize Helen VerStandig in celebration of her life and legacy, and declare July 9, 2005 as "Helen VerStandig Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, when Warren G. Harding was President of the United States of America, and when the District Building had been open for less than twelve years, there was born on "seven eleven"--July 11, 1920 one Helen Van Stondeg;

WHEREAS, she would later be known, more widely, as Madame Wellington, the purveyor of zircon jewelry under the name of Wellington Jewelry (1966-1996);

WHEREAS, she would also become Helen VerStandig, due to her marriage to M. Belmont VerStandig, with whom she would have two children, John and Joan, who in turn would provide her with five grandchildren, Mac, Josh, Scott, Carly, and Marnie;

WHEREAS, her achievements are remarkable, not only for jewelry interests, but for other business enterprises including public relations and communications, broadcasting and investments;

WHEREAS, she has been honored by Whitman-Walker Clinic as "Friend for Life", Wharton School Alumni, Food & Friends, and other not-for-profit endeavors;

WHEREAS, there is no one in her wide acquaintance who cannot say they had a good time in her presence; and

WHEREAS, this is a truly remarkable human being who for 85 years has positively touched the lives of thousands with friendship and love.

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

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the work and accomplishments of Helen VerStandig and her contributions to the citizens of the District of Columbia; and in honor of her successful eighty-five years adding to the greatness of our city declares July 9, 2005 as "Helen VerStandig 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

September 20, 2005

To recognize the AARP District of Columbia in conjunction with the George Washington University, the District of Columbia Department of Employment Services, the Greater Washington Board of Trade, and the Washington Business Journal for raising awareness of the value of workers 50 years of age and older and providing employers with the tools to make the most of this growing workplace demographic in conjunction with an older workers forum titled, "Staying Ahead of the Curve: Business Solutions for Greater Washington Employers", on September 26, 2005.

WHEREAS, the AARP District of Columbia is calling attention to a major shift taking place in the District and throughout the nation the 50 year old and older workforce is growing at a faster rate than the below 50 year old work force;

WHEREAS, the AARP District of Columbia is providing resources, highlighting best practices and identifying practical solutions to help employers attract and retain workers over the age of 50;

WHEREAS, the AARP District of Columbia is taking leadership to bring together business and government to share strategies for ensuing future success by addressing the importance of the older worker;

WHEREAS, the AARP District of Columbia is raising employers' recognition that, as the proportion of younger to older workers continues to decline, the mature, experienced worker will become increasingly important to their bottom-line success; and

WHEREAS, the AARP District of Columbia is shining a light on the significant strengths that workers 50 years of age and older bring to the table because of their solid work ethic, extensive experience, stability and ever-growing set of skills.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "AARP District of Columbia Aging Workforce Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors the AARP District of Columbia on the occasion of its older workers forum titled, Staying Ahead Of The Curve: Business Solutions For Greater Washington Employers and 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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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 20, 2005

To recognize Elaine S. Terry on the occasion of her 75th Birthday and to thank her for many years of services contributed to the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry is widely recognized for dedicated public service to improve the quality of life of senior citizens and children in the District of Columbia through a broad spectrum of intergenerational events and activities that provide social development and interaction;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry is a longtime Ward Five resident active in local and city-wide communities;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry retired as a nurse from Providence Hospital in 1993, where she worked for twenty-three years in the emergency room with a total of thirty-four years of employment;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry won the title of Ms. Ward Five in 1997, and the title of Ms. Senior DC in 1998, under the platform, "Striving to Make a Difference for Seniors and Youth";

WHEREAS Elaine S. Terry under her reign as Ms. Senior DC reinstated the C.H.O.R.E. Program to assist needy seniors with hard-to-do chores;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry as Ms. Senior DC designed tee-shirts with the "Striving to Make a Difference" logo that generated \$800 in sales donated to various organizations;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry is a member in good standing of the Ms. Senior DC Cameo Club and chaired three events for the organization as well as a free Black History Show for the Washington Home for the Aging and other profitable events;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry in 2002 for the Ms. Senior DC pageant devoted time and effort to assist Ms. Florence Hunter who won as first runner-up and recipient of three pageant trophies;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry was recognized by Mayor Williams for her reign as Ms. Senior DC;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry has been recognized by Councilmember Orange for numerous hours of volunteer service at ward-sponsored Council events;

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry through her desire to develop scholarships that benefit deserving youth and assist senior citizens instituted the Capital Spirits and instituted numerous annual fundraising events; and

WHEREAS, Elaine S. Terry is a faithful member of the choir at Faith United Church of Christ and actively participates in church-sponsored events.

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

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Elaine S. Terry for unselfish and dedicated service to fellow citizens in her local community and throughout communities 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

September 20, 2005

To honor and recognize the many contributions Frida Frazer Winslow Burling has made to the Georgetown community and to the city of Washington, D.C., and to declare September 21, 2005 as "Frida Burling Day" in the District of Columbia

WHEREAS, Frida Burling is a role model to all in her civic leadership, care and compassion for the needy and underserved, love and optimism for her neighbors, and warm and welcoming approach to the stranger and neighbor alike;

WHEREAS, Frida Burling is a mentor to young people, inspiring them to pursue their dreams, contribute to society and be of service to others;

WHEREAS, Frida Burling is the great role model for our time, ever reminding us that it is more important to give, rather than to receive, and that each one of us has time, talent or treasure to contribute;

WHEREAS, Frida Burling is the ultimate planner, communicator and strategist, always serving as the "Networker and Matchmaker extra ordinaire" connecting ideas, people and projects;

WHEREAS, Frida Burling reminds us that one person can, indeed, make a difference by bettering the lives of many through countless simple deeds of grace, humility and compassion;

WHEREAS, Frida Burling embodies the true "Spirit of Georgetown" insofar as her life heralds the importance of building family and social traditions as the true means to building a civil society and joyful life; and

WHEREAS, Frida Burling celebrated her 90th birthday on September 16, 2005, ever reminding us that you truly can be young at heart and ageless in the legacy you leave for others.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Frida Frazer Winslow Burling Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Frida Frazer Winslow Burling for the many contributions she has made to the Georgetown community and to the city of Washington, D.C., and declares September 21, 2005 as "Frida Burling 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

September 20, 2005

To recognize and honor the historic significance of the participation of the National Maritime Heritage Foundation vessel, *American Spirit*, as the official representative of Washington, D.C., in the Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race, and to designate October 12, 2005 as *American Spirit Day* in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the National Maritime Heritage Foundation has joined forces with local businesses, government, and community leaders to raise the awareness of the Maritime History of Washington, D.C.;

WHEREAS, the National Maritime Heritage Foundation is the official Maritime Heritage organization of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia recognizes the importance of Maritime Heritage to the redevelopment of the Anacostia waterfront;

WHEREAS, the National Maritime Heritage Foundation vessel, *American Spirit* is an educational platform for Maritime Heritage for thousands of students of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the National Maritime Heritage Foundation vessel, *American Spirit* is the only Washington, D.C., vessel entered in the Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race;

WHEREAS, the Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race was founded to promote public awareness of the Chesapeake Bay's maritime heritage and to encourage the preservation and improvement of the Chesapeake's natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the rivers of Washington, the Potomac and Anacostia, are thriving and important parts of the Chesapeake Watershed and should be celebrated as such.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "*American Spirit Day Recognition Resolution of 2005*".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the historic significance of the participation of the National Maritime Heritage Foundation vessel, *American Spirit*, as the official representative of Washington, D.C. in the Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race, and designates October 12, 2005 as *American Spirit 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

September 20, 2005

To recognize and honor D.C. Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department Engine 18 and Truck 7, and to designate October 1, 2005, as "D.C. Fire and EMS Department Engine 18 and Truck 7 Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS on April 28, 1904, the Washington, D.C., Fire Department established Truck Company G to provide fire protection to the citizens of Southeast Washington;

WHEREAS, the firehouse was located at 414 Eighth Street, S.E., in the heart of Capitol Hill;

WHEREAS, on October 15, 1904, Firefighter (Private) Arthur Gibbins, of Truck Co. G, died in the line of duty;

WHEREAS, on November 18, 1905, the Washington, D.C. Fire Department established Engine Company No. 18 at 1001 9th Street, S.E., to provide additional fire protection to the District's citizens and the Washington Navy Yard;

WHEREAS, on July 6 1906, Truck Company G was renamed Truck Company No. 7;

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1910, Firefighter Wagon Driver William Caton, of Engine Co. 18, died in the line of duty when he was thrown from the hose wagon at 9th Street and Potomac Avenue, S.E., while responding to an alarm of fire;

WHEREAS, on December 30, 1924, Engine Company No. 18, operating with a horse-drawn streamer, ended an era of horse-drawn fire apparatus with the D.C. Fire Department when they responded to the last response with horses, a trash fire at 924 8th Street, S.E.;

WHEREAS on December 24, 1929, Engine Co. 18 and Truck Co. 7 assisted with the extinguishment of a five-alarm fire in the West Wing of the White House;

WHEREAS, on January 3, 1930, a devastating fire occurred at the U.S. Capitol in an area used by the Capitol Sculptor, and the members of Engine 18 and Truck 7 were among the first to arrive and assist in the extinguishment efforts;

WHEREAS, on December 18, 1934, Seventh Battalion Fire Chief Patrick Sullivan, died in the line of duty;

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WHEREAS, on June 4, 1940, Engine Company 18 was moved to the quarters of Truck Company 7 at 414 8th Street, S.E.;

WHEREAS, these two companies were charged with protecting such landmarks as the U.S. Capitol, the Marine Corp Barracks, the Navy Yard, and Providence, Casualty, and Naval Hospitals;

WHEREAS, on March 27, 1940, Engine 18 and Truck 7 fought the devastating fourth-alarm Saint John's Church fire at 2nd Street and C Street, S.E.;

WHEREAS, these two companies were first-due to the destructive fourth-alarm Miller's Furniture fire at 8th Street & Pennsylvania Ave., S.E. on April 5, 1941;

WHEREAS, these companies continue to be charged with protecting those who work and visit such national treasures, such as the U.S. Capitol, the House and Senate office buildings, the Library of Congress buildings, and the U.S. Supreme Court;

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, Engine 18 and Truck 7 were among the first D.C. Fire and EMS Department units to begin fire suppression and search and rescue operations at the Pentagon;

WHEREAS, on September 12, 2001, Engine 18 and Truck 7 members continued fire suppression efforts on the roof of the Pentagon;

WHEREAS, the following members were assigned to Engine Company 18 during this company's 100-year anniversary:

- Captain Demetrios Vlassopoulos,
- Lieutenant Terrance Waller,
- Lieutenant Graydon L. Dupree,
- Lieutenant Allen J. Nozneski,
- Firefighter Wagon Driver Timothy R. White,
- Firefighter Wagon Driver Richard B. Shine,
- Firefighter Wagon Driver Christopher T. Williams,
- Firefighter Wagon Driver Christopher J. Therres,
- Firefighter Sir C. Anderson,
- Firefighter Roy D. Bishop,
- Firefighter Justin B. Brown,
- Firefighter James D. Byers,
- Firefighter Sean K. Celestine,
- Firefighter Curtis A. Davis,
- Firefighter Timothy R. Davis,
- Firefighter Aaron R. Foster,
- Firefighter Albert E. Montgomery,
- Firefighter Daniel W. Myers,
- Firefighter Matthew J. Palmerton,
- Firefighter Lee A. Scott,

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- Firefighter Bradd L. Seiferd,
- Firefighter Thomas M. Silverstrim,
- Firefighter Shawn A. Summers,
- Firefighter Wesley L. Wheeler; and

WHEREAS, the following members were assigned to Truck Company 7 during this company's 100-year anniversary:

- Captain Robert Webster,
- Lieutenant Paul Wood,
- Lieutenant Walter Jernigan,
- Lieutenant Gerald Carroll,
- Sergeant Ricardo Fleming,
- Sergeant Harold Lindsey,
- Sergeant L. Johnson,
- Sergeant Michael Carroll,
- Firefighter Truck Driver Michael Jackson,
- Firefighter Truck Driver Tyrone Farrow,
- Firefighter Truck Driver John Hayman,
- Firefighter Truck Driver David Schaake,
- Firefighter Tillerman Billy Mims,
- Firefighter Tillerman John Haggerty,
- Firefighter Tillerman David Palmer,
- Firefighter Tillerman Vernon Peterson,
- Firefighter Joseph Brunner,
- Firefighter Patrick Carey,
- Firefighter Andrew Charland,
- Firefighter Michael Deems,
- Firefighter L. Harley,
- Firefighter Kenneth Harrison,
- Firefighter Joseph Lozupone,
- Firefighter Christopher Maddox,
- Firefighter Samuel Short,
- Firefighter Richard Sullivan,
- Firefighter Daniel Tyler; and

WHEREAS, the members of Engine 18 and Truck 7 are honoring their 100 years of community service with a celebration on October 1, 2005.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "D.C. Fire and EMS Department Engine 18 and Truck 7 Day Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the vital lifesaving services that Engine Company 18 and Truck Company 7 provide to the community and declares the first day of October, 2005 as "D.C. Fire and EMS Department Engine 18 and Truck 7 Day" in the District of Columbia.

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 20, 2005

To recognize and honor Margaret Feldman, and to designate Saturday, August 27, 2005, as "Margaret Feldman Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Margaret Feldman has had an active career as a professor at Ithaca College specializing in the study of families and children;

WHEREAS, she has been the Washington, D.C., representative of the National Council on Family Relations, which has named its Washington, D.C., office after Mrs. Feldman and her late husband, Harold;

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Feldman worked as staff on Congressional Committees concerned with the elderly;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Feldman has been a living example of the slogan "Become Involved In Your Neighborhood," and has held many important volunteer offices in her Southwest Washington, DC neighborhood, including:

- President of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly ("SWNA"), Inc. and a member of its board;
- Chair of the SWNA History Task Force;
- Key promoter of the new Southwest Heritage Trail;
- Lead community supporter for the recognition and historic preservation in the Southwest community, including Capitol Park and the old Friendship Baptist Church; AND
- Organizer of the yacht tour on the Anacostia River, to share its history and beauty;

WHEREAS Mrs. Feldman has been instrumental in many neighborhood improvements, such as:

- The "Southwest Then and Now" photo display;
- The first neighborhood-wide Southwest Parade in 60 years;
- The Southwest Police/Firebox Project;
- A grant to restore the Dan Urban Kiley Park at 4th and G Streets, SW;
- Saving the Leo Lionni art mosaic mural; and
- A grant from Art in Public Spaces for a mural to be constructed in the 12th Street, SW Gateway Tunnel;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Feldman was Chair of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly Task Force on the Waterside Mall and Southwest Waterfront, raising funds for the Urban Land Institute study which became the basis for current plans for a multi-million dollar redevelopment of Waterside Mall;

WHEREAS she was Chair of the 25th anniversary celebration of River Park Cooperative Homes and later co-chair of the mortgage burning celebration for River Park; and

WHEREAS she was an observer at the World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, in 1995 and following international conferences as well as a delegate to the Non Government Organization (NGO) forum preceding the conference.

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

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes Margaret Feldman as an outstanding citizen of the District of Columbia and designates Saturday, August 27, 2005 as Margaret Feldman 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

September 20, 2005

To recognize and honor the Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, D.C. Area, Incorporated in conjunction with its 30th Anniversary Gala on September 23, 2005.

WHEREAS, the Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, D.C. Area ("BNA of GWDCA") was officially chartered as a local chapter of the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) in June of 1975;

WHEREAS, the BNA of GWDCA is a professional organization of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and nursing students;

WHEREAS, the BNA of GWDCA believes that the delivery of quality health care to a culturally diverse nation demands that ethnically diverse nurses be adequately represented in nursing education programs and the nursing profession;

WHEREAS, the BNA of GWDCA endeavors to provide a wide range of community services to the citizens of the Greater Washington, DC area including mentoring of prospective nurses, nursing students and professionals, the establishments of Future Nurses Clubs in senior high schools, and partnering with other organizations that provide health services; and

WHEREAS, the BNA of GWDCA will celebrate its 30th Anniversary on September 23, 2005.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, D.C., Area, Inc. Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and congratulates The Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, D.C., Area, Inc. 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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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 20, 2005

To recognize and honor Ralph H. Neal for his 42 years of distinguished service with the District of Columbia Public Schools and in conjunction with his retirement celebration on October 23, 2005.

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal began his career with the District of Columbia Public Schools ("DCPS") as a teacher in the health and Physical Education Department at the Woodson Junior High School;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal served as the Assistant Principal of the Langley Junior High School from 1971 - 1973;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal served as the Assistant Principal of the Rabault Junior High School from 1973 - 1980;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal served as the Principal of the Eastern Senior High School Home and School Association from 1980 - 1984;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal served as the Principal of the Eastern Senior High School from 1984 - 1988;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal served as the LEAD Principal of the DCPS Clusters 3 and 8 from 1991 - 1997;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal served as the Assistant Superintendent for DCPS Division of Senior High Schools from 1987 - 2000;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal served as the Assistant Superintendent of the DCPS Division of Student Services;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal is currently the Principal of Friendship Junior Academy Blow Pierce Campus;

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal has received numerous awards and honors in recognition of his outstanding leadership, service and contributions to the field of education; and

WHEREAS, Ralph H. Neal is retiring from the district of Columbia Public School system and is being honored for his distinguished years of service at a retirement celebration in his honor on October 23, 2005.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Ralph H. Neal Retirement Recognition Resolution of 2005".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors Ralph H. Neal on the occasion of his retirement celebration and for the valuable contribution he has made to the District of Columbia Public Schools 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.