



Councilmember Jack Evans

CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

We are proud to recognize and express our overwhelming gratitude to HEROES, INC. for its numerous contributions to the community and to the District of Columbia and congratulates HEROES, INC. on 50 years of service.

WHEREAS, HEROES, INC. stands for Honor Every Responsible Officer's Eternal Sacrifice. The non-profit organization provides emotional support and financial aid to families of metropolitan Washington law enforcement officers and firefighters killed in the line of duty;

WHEREAS, HEROES, INC. was founded in 1964 by a group of Metropolitan Washington businessmen, and consists of one hundred members representing the business, professional and spiritual leadership of the greater Metropolitan Washington area. The entire program is conducted by the HEROES, Inc. membership on a volunteer basis;

WHEREAS, HEROES, INC.'s only fundraising activity is the annual HEROES, Inc. Golf Tournament carried on by the HEROES Golf Committee which consists of primarily retired law enforcement officers and firefighters who volunteer their time. The tournament is one of the most successful of its kind on the East Coast with benefits going directly to the parent organization's Scholarship Program. Recipients attend colleges and universities throughout the United States and assistance is made in the form of full scholarships, which include tuition, room and board, books, supplies and many other incidental costs;

WHEREAS, The founder and former Chairman of the Board of HEROES, Inc. was the late Leonard B. "Bud" Doggett, whose legacy of a personal standard of commitment, participation and love for the organization will go forever unchallenged. Bud Doggett daily honored the sacrifice of each law enforcement officer and firefighter whose names appear on the HEROES, Inc.'s Roll of Honor. His dedication to the welfare of the survivors of the fallen HEROES, set an example unequalled;

WHEREAS, There are one hundred eighty-two (182) HEROES whose names appear on the honor roll, and one hundred thirty (130) left behind spouses. Two hundred twenty- four (224) children were left behind by these officers who made the ultimate sacrifice;

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Honor Every Responsible Officer's Eternal Sacrifice, (HEROES), Inc., Recognition Resolution of 2014."