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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>22-214</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 7, 2017

To recognize and honor Christ Church, Georgetown on the occasion of its 200th anniversary and to declare November 12, 2017, as "Christ Church, Georgetown Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, a second Episcopal congregation in Georgetown was formed at a meeting in the Bridge Street residence of Thomas Corcoran, Sr. on November 10, 1817;

WHEREAS, that congregation shortly thereafter began holding services in the Lancaster School building on Beall Street;

WHEREAS, that congregation purchased a lot at the corner of Congress and Beall Streets in Georgetown and commenced building a church on May 15, 1818;

WHEREAS, the first services in the new church were held on Christmas Day in 1818;

WHEREAS, the new church was consecrated on December 30, 1818, by Bishop James Kemp and given the name Christ Church;

WHEREAS, Christ Church, Georgetown, has continued at the same site ever since, now occupying the third church building at what is now the corner of 31st and O Streets, N.W.; and

WHEREAS, Christ Church, Georgetown has been an integral part of the Georgetown community throughout its history, contributing notably to its educational and social resources in addition to being a place of Christian worship.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Christ Church, Georgetown 200th Anniversary Celebration Recognition Resolution of 2017".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Christ Church, Georgetown on the observance of its 200th anniversary celebration and declares November 12, 2017, as "Christ Church, Georgetown 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.