A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>22-313</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 1, 2018

To recognize, honor, and express overwhelming gratitude to Howard Shalwitz, Co-Founder and Artistic Director of the Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company, for his untiring dedication and service to the residents of the District of Columbia and to declare June 4, 2018, as "Howard Shalwitz Day" in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Howard Shalwitz has been the Artistic Director of Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company since the company's founding in 1980, overseeing 227 productions, including 66 world premiere plays;

WHEREAS, Howard Shalwitz set an example of exceptional leadership and commitment to community, increasing accessibility to the arts by introducing the concept of "Pay What You Can" tickets to the District of Columbia's vibrant theatre community, and originating the innovative civic engagement strategy known as "Connectivity"; and

WHEREAS, Howard Shalwitz has been recognized as an outstanding artistic innovator and has been awarded the 2011 Helen Hayes Award for Outstanding Director, the 2014 Margot Jones Award in recognition of lifetime commitment to New American Plays, and the 2018 DowntownDC Visionary Award.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Howard Shalwitz Recognition Resolution of 2018".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes, honors, and salutes Howard Shalwitz for his stellar service to the residents of and visitors to the District of Columbia, extends its sincere best wishes, and declares June 4, 2018, as "Howard Shalwitz 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.