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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

22-322

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 1, 2018

To celebrate Liz Nolan for her longtime role as a mentor, businesswoman, and innovator and to recognize Natural Motion for over 50 years as a pillar of the Ward 4 community.

WHEREAS, Natural Motion is a beauty salon located at the corner of Georgia Avenue, N.W., and Jefferson Street, N.W., in Ward 4;

WHEREAS, Liz Nolan opened Natural Motion in 1967, at only 18 years of age, shortly after moving to the District from her hometown of Greenville, South Carolina and graduating from Madam CJ Walker Beauty School;

WHEREAS, Natural Motion began as just Liz Nolan and one shampoo assistant, but quickly expanded and now is a full-service salon offering haircuts and styling, hair coloring, hair texture services, a wide variety of spa services, and services specially for men;

WHEREAS, Natural Motion boasts an impressive list of former and current clients, including Marion Barry, Jesse L. Jackson, Eartha Kitt, and Jayne Kennedy;

WHEREAS, Liz Nolan popularized blow-drying hair and became well known for the “Liz Nolan blowout”;

WHEREAS, for nearly one decade, Liz Nolan sat on the District of Columbia Board of Cosmetology, where she served as Vice President;

WHEREAS, in the 1970s, Liz Nolan was voted one of the top 10 hair colorists in the United States;

WHEREAS, in 1983, Liz Nolan received the business woman of the year award, and in her honor President Ronald Reagan flew a flag over Washington, D.C.;

WHEREAS, at one time, Liz Nolan’s business had expanded to 10 salons across the country and 2 beauty schools;

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WHEREAS, in 1983, Liz Nolan opened Scanners Beauty Academy, which taught underprivileged students about business, hair design, self-esteem, and self-confidence;

WHEREAS, numerous Scanners Beauty Academy students went on to open their own salons, many of which are open to this date;

WHEREAS, Natural Motion is unique in its emphasis on hair care and hair growth, ensuring clients are on the path to healthy and strong hair; and

WHEREAS, Liz Nolan and Natural Motion have assisted cancer survivors, those with Alopecia, and women who have lost their hair due to chemicals, showing compassion and recognizing hair as part of one's identity.

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

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia celebrates Liz Nolan's contributions to the District of Columbia, including training and encouraging others to become small business owners, and recognizes Natural Motion as a beauty salon that has long been a staple of the Ward 4 community.

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