



Councilmember Jack Evans

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To honor Martin's Tavern on the occasion of the celebration of its 85th Anniversary.

WHEREAS, Martin's Tavern has had the honor of serving every president from Harry S. Truman to George W. Bush, all before they were president. George H.W. Bush frequented Martin's when he was CIA Director, Bill Clinton, as a Georgetown University student and Senator John F. Kennedy proposed to Miss Jacqueline Lee Bouvier on June 25, 1953;

WHEREAS, In the late 1890's, William S. Martin traveled from Galway, Ireland to America. Forty years later, he and his son, William G. Martin, opened Martin's Tavern on the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and N Street, NW;

WHEREAS, It was 1933, in the midst of the Great Depression and the beginning of the Repeal of Prohibition, William G. Martin, a graduate of Georgetown University was enjoying a career in professional baseball, football and basketball. Successful in business and sports, he earned a seat as a Georgetown University Athletic Hall-of-Famer;

WHEREAS, In 1949, William G. Martin's son, William A. Martin, joined the Tavern after serving in the Navy during WWII. William A. Martin attended Georgetown University Medical School and excelled as a Golden-Glover boxer and Pro-Am golfer;

WHEREAS, Martin's warm atmosphere has welcomed neighbors and world travelers looking for great food, service and years of history. Fourth generation Billy Martin, Jr. continues the tradition of Washington's oldest family owned restaurant and Georgetown landmark;

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Martin's Tavern 85th Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2018".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia is immensely proud to recognize, honor and express our overwhelming gratitude to Billy Martin and his family for their many years of service to the residents of the District of Columbia and declares today as "Martin's Tavern 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.