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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize DeMarcco Hellams for his academic success and many athletic accomplishments and honors.

WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams is a native Washingtonian and Ward 7 resident who attended DC Public and Public Charter Schools and is currently a senior honor roll student at DeMatha Catholic High School, where he has gained a keen interest in British Literature and Latin;

WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams learned the fundamentals of football at the age of 5 from his father DeLante Hellams, Sr. and his uncle Eric Hellams and began his football journey with Watkins Hornets Youth Football and the Pop Warner Organization;

WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams is a member and 2018 season captain of the nationally ranked Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC) DeMatha Stags Varsity Football program, for which he played as a freshman wide receiver and received two championship rings in both the 2016 and 2017 seasons;

WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams has prodigious talent playing both offensive and defensive positions that has earned him awards such as being named to the first class of the 2018 Pro Football Hall of Fame Academy for High School, participant in the 2019 Polynesian All-American Bowl in Hawaii, 2018 Nike Opening Finalist, 1st Team WCAC 2018 Defense, 1st Team MaxPreps All American 2018 Defense, 1st Team All-USA Football Defense 2018, 2017 WCAC All Conference 1st Team (Offense-Wide Receiver) and 2016 WCAC All Conference 2nd Team (Defense-Defensive Back), and Washington Post Player of the Year 2018 (Offense);

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33 WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams received over 20 offers from National Collegiate
34 Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I schools and has committed to continue his educational
35 and athletic career at The University of Alabama;

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37 WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams enjoys spending his time with family and friends,
38 visiting and encouraging sick children at hospitals locally and nationally and plans to continue
39 this tradition for years to come;

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41 WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams exerts a positive influence on younger student athletes,
42 sharing with them the hard work, consistency and perseverance that are the keys to his success
43 and encouraging them to stay patient and keep the faith; and

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45 WHEREAS, DeMarcco Hellams hopes to channel his football passion into a successful
46 professional career in the National Football League (NFL).

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48 IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF
49 COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “DeMarcco Hellams Recognition
50 Resolution of 2019”.

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52 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and congratulates for his
53 exceptional achievements as a student, athlete and citizen.

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