

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 7, 2019

To recognize and honor Takoma Park Baptist Church for its commitment, dedication, and service to the residents of Ward 4 and the District of Columbia, and to celebrate Takoma Park Baptist Church's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

WHEREAS, on June 8, 1919, the Takoma Park Baptist Church was organized, and in November 1919, The Columbia Association accepted the church as a member;

WHEREAS, in November 1920, Takoma Park Baptist Church was legally incorporated with the Reverend William E. LaRue becoming the first pastor on September 20, 1921;

WHEREAS, Takoma Park Baptist Church held worship services at Takoma Park Seventh-day Adventist Church from November 1921 until 1924 when the church building was officially opened during a week of dedication services, April 6, 1924 through April 13, 1924;

WHEREAS, the Takoma Park Baptist Church lives up to its mission statement "to glorify God by becoming relevant in our world, real in our relationships with God and others, and radical in our discipleship, as committed followers of Jesus Christ";

WHEREAS, the vibrant congregation of Takoma Park Baptist Church is dedicated to community, service, and faith; and has numerous ministries that serve residents in Ward 4 and across the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, the congregation of Takoma Park Baptist Church is led by Senior Pastor, Dr. Ernest Trice, an experienced faith leader who has served in that capacity since April 2006; and

WHEREAS, Takoma Park Baptist Church remains a pillar of the Ward 4 community, and after 100 years of service, continues to expand its outreach and social service activities in the District of Columbia.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “100th Anniversary of Takoma Park Baptist Church Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2019”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors Takoma Park Baptist Church for 100 years of dedication and service to the residents of the District and celebrates Takoma Park Baptist Church’s 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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