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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 7, 2019

To celebrate the D.C. Metro Chapter of Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. for hosting the first annual conference and 20th Jubilee Celebration and to recognize Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. for their efforts to support underprivileged families in our community.

WHEREAS, Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. was established in 1999 by Gayla Gardner and Donya Gardner Campbell in Houston, Texas as a 501(c)3;

WHEREAS, Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. commits itself to sharing blessings with others through collective effort, charitable activities, and community involvement;

WHEREAS, since their founding in Houston, Texas, Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. has grown to include 6 chapters in 6 cities across the United States, including Washington, D.C., Houston, Texas, New York, New York, Atlanta, Georgia, Oakland, California, and Detroit, Michigan;

WHEREAS, the D.C. Metro Chapter of the Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. was established in 2003 by Kimberley Alton, Kimberly Loder-Albritton, Kristinia Ennix, and Nicole Hyson and has more than tripled in membership size since its inception;

WHEREAS, currently there are 3 members of the D.C. Metro Chapter of Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. that serve on the National Organization's Executive Board, including Keisha Mack as Parliamentarian, Renunda Lee as Secretary, and Nicole Cober as Chair;

WHEREAS, the D.C. Metro Chapter of Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. hosts two fundraising events annually that allow them to provide forty families in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia area with back-to-school essentials as well as presents for Christmas;

WHEREAS, last year the D.C. Metro Chapter of Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. was able to assist more 100 children in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia area in ensuring that they met their back-to-school and holiday needs;

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WHEREAS, in 2018 the D.C. Metro Chapter of Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. donated \$10,000 to local organizations supporting children and families and another \$10,000 to schools in Maryland and the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, the D.C. Metro Chapter of Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. is hosting the first annual conference and 20th Jubilee Celebration at the Intercontinental Hotel at The Wharf on May 2nd through May 5th.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. First Annual Conference and 20th Jubilee Celebration Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2019”.

Sec. 2. The Council congratulates Twelve Days of Christmas, Inc. on their 20th Anniversary and recognizes the D.C. Metro Chapter for their efforts and commitment to community service 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.