

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 17, 2019

To recognize the H Street Community Development Corporation (HSCDC) and its John A. Wilson Scholarship Program in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, John A. Wilson cared about poor people, cared about the District and cared about his country;

WHEREAS, September 29, 2019, would have been John A. Wilson's birthday;

WHEREAS, the Honorable John A. Wilson devoted his career to serving the public and championing education and opportunities for youth;

WHEREAS, he started the John A. Wilson Basketball League with 700 youth, which grew to more than a thousand, and which fielded teams in all 8 wards for ages 7 to 18, requiring youngsters to maintain perfect school attendance or a C-plus average to be eligible;

WHEREAS, John A. Wilson was a founding member of the H Street Community Development Corporation (HSCDC);

WHEREAS, HSCDC created the John A. Wilson Scholarship Program in 2008 to help DC Public and Public Charter School students achieve a college education and improve the quality of life in the community;

WHEREAS, HSCDC is continuing John A. Wilson's legacy by providing scholarships for students attending DC Public and Public Charter Schools;

WHEREAS, the John A. Wilson Scholarship Program inspires community service and neighborhood involvement;

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WHEREAS, HSCDC has awarded \$650,000 in scholarships to 67 students in the District since 2008;

WHEREAS, the 2020 John A. Wilson Scholarship awards will be made with the goal of encouraging recipients to consider careers in public and community service;

WHEREAS, HSCDC will present Financial Aid Literacy Workshops to empower applicants and their families to make informed decisions about how to finance the cost of higher education.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the “John A. Wilson Scholarship Program and the H Street Community Development Corporation Recognition Resolution of 2019”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Colombia recognizes, appreciates, and thanks the H Street Community Development Corporation for its commitment to creating opportunities for young people through its financial literacy workshops and the John A. Wilson Scholarship Program.

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