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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

<u>23-178</u>

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 22, 2019

To celebrate the outstanding service of DC Access to the Capitol Hill neighborhood and broader Washington, D.C. area over the past 20 years.

WHEREAS, DC Access was founded in April of 1999 by Matt Wade in response to his frustrations with customer service from his current dial-up service providers;

WHEREAS, DC Access began as a dial-up and web hosting business, focusing on commitments to affordable internet options, exceptional customer service, reliability, and privacy for its customers;

WHEREAS, Matt transitioned to providing high-speed broadband internet in 2003 and was later joined by his wife, Martha Huizenga, as a managing partner of DC Access in January of 2004;

WHEREAS, DC Access remains the District's only local internet service provider and serves approximately 1,400 residential and business customers on Capitol Hill and in Adams Morgan, including dozens of apartment buildings and multifamily properties;

WHEREAS, in addition to providing standard high-speed broadband internet, DC Access offers broadcast TV installation to give District residents access to local TV channels without paying a monthly fee;

WHEREAS, as a locally-owned, self-funded small business, DC Access has remained committed to supporting its surrounding community by donating technical expertise and providing free WiFi for charity events and fundraisers, among other philanthropic contributions.

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IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the "DC Access 20^{th} Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2019".

- Sec. 2. The Council recognizes Matt Wade, Martha Huizenga, and the entire DC Access team for their ongoing commitment to providing affordable, high-quality internet access to District residents and businesses, as well as their positive contributions to the District's small business community.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.