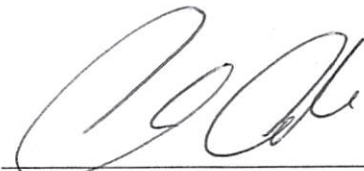


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10 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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15 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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19 To recognize The Clash, a band from the United Kingdom, for their notable and important  
20 contributions to music, and proclaim February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020, International Clash Day.

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22 WHEREAS, legendary UK band The Clash formed in 1976, establishing their unique sound  
23 combining punk with reggae, dub, funk, and ska, behind socially conscious lyrics;

24 WHEREAS, throughout their career, the Clash used the power of music to share messages of  
25 peace, unity, anti-imperialism, anti-racism, poverty awareness, and freedom of  
26 expression;

27 WHEREAS, The Clash chose to play The Ontario Theatre in Washington, D.C. on February 15,  
28 1979, as the sixth show of their very first North American tour, and returned to The  
29 Lisner Auditorium on April 8, 1984, further endearing the band to a legion of fans that  
30 would go on to proclaim them “the only band that matters;”

31 WHEREAS, The Clash inspired socially conscious bands such Bad Brains, The Pietasters, Teen  
32 Idles, Minor Threat, and Fugazi to form in order to advocate for disadvantaged people in  
33 their city;

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34 WHEREAS, the Council of the District of Columbia affirms that this city is a Hate Free Zone,  
35 committed to a set of values including inclusivity, tolerance, diversity and hope;

36 WHEREAS, the civically and globally minded District of Columbia wishes to join with other  
37 like-minded cities across the globe in celebrating International Clash Day; and

38 WHEREAS, the District of Columbia adheres to the belief in the immortal words of Joe  
39 Strummer, "People can change anything they want to, and that means everything in the  
40 world."

41 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution  
42 may be cited as the "International Clash Day Recognition Resolution of 2020".

43 Sec. 2. The Council recognizes The Clash for their notable and important contributions to  
44 music and declares February 7, 2020 to be International Clash Day in the District of Columbia.

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