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### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

### 23-306

# IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## October 6, 2020

To recognize and honor Letha M. Blount, founding director of the Washington, DC Chapter of the American Classic Woman of the Year on the celebration of her 90th birthday.

WHEREAS, Letha Blount become a resident of Washington D.C. in 1952 and after training at Wayne School of Nursing and United School of Nursing, became a licensed practical nurse in 1953;

WHEREAS, a former Ms. Senior Ward 2, Letha Blount was crowned Queen of Washington, DC in 2000 and represented the District of Columbia in the national American Classic Woman of the Year Pageant in Charleston, S.C.;

WHEREAS, in 2002, Letha M. Blount became the founder and director of the American Classic Woman of the Year and Pageant in Washington, D.C., which presents a pageant showcasing the District's senior ladies at the Lincoln Theatre annually;

WHEREAS, Letha Blount played a key role in establishing the Foster House Nutrition

Program for senior citizens and served as a volunteer program coordinator as well as president of
the Foster House Tenant Association; and,

WHEREAS, Letha Blount has been a member of New Bethel Baptist Church for over 50 years serving as an Usher, Nurse Committee Chairperson and Board Member.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution be cited as the "Letha Blount 90th Birthday Ceremonial Resolution of 2020".

- Sec. 2. The Council recognizes, honors, and salutes Letha Blount for her commitment to excellence and for her numerous contributions to the District of Columbia and her citizens, and the Council declares July 29th as Letha Blount Day in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.