

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

23-307

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 6, 2020

To celebrate and honor the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Housing Cooperatives in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, October 2020 is National Co-op Month;

WHEREAS, 2020 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of housing cooperatives in Washington, D.C.;

WHEREAS, housing cooperatives are member-owned entities that afford individuals a real stake in home ownership and in the economic future of their communities;

WHEREAS, there are more than 100 housing cooperatives with thousands of units in the District varying widely in location, size, and architectural style, including high-rise buildings, garden-style buildings, and detached houses;

WHEREAS, Washington, DC is second only to New York City in the number of cooperative housing units;

WHEREAS, co-ops have a rich history in the city and many building are of historical and architectural significance;

WHEREAS, co-ops play an important role in the District's housing continuum, and contribute to housing affordability;

WHEREAS, co-ops are democratically operated by member-owners who have a voice and vote in the operations of the cooperative;

WHEREAS, co-ops encourage community participation, civic pride, leadership and a sense of shared purpose among neighbors;and

WHEREAS, new and existing co-ops will play an important role in the city's housing stock for at least the next 100 years.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "DC Housing Cooperatives 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2020".

Sec. 3. The Council recognizes and honors the successes of cooperative housing in Washington, D.C.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.