

CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

April 6, 2021

To celebrate the Capital Pool Checkers Club and declare June 19, 2021 as Capital Pool Checkers Club Day.

WHEREAS, the Capital Pool Checkers Club, a Washington, D.C. cultural institution, was established in 1968;

WHEREAS, the Capital Pool Checkers Club was founded to continue the socially and historically significant African-American game of Pool Checkers;

WHEREAS, 60 African-American senior men led by David Hill, Patrick Foster, and Talmadge Roberts represented the first members of the Capital Pool Checkers Club and have continued to maintain the Club's history, camaraderie, and cultural significance;

WHEREAS, the challenges associated with maintaining the Club's viability in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in reduced membership and social distancing;

WHEREAS, current members of the Capital Pool Checkers Club have resolved to maintain the value and significance of the Club, attract new members, and continue to promote the game of Pool Checkers;

WHEREAS, the need to relocate from its 9<sup>th</sup> and S Street location in the Shaw community has challenged the Capital Pool Checkers Club's resilience and determination;

WHEREAS, the determination, community support, and cultural significance of the Capital Pool Checkers Club is cause for acknowledgement and celebration.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Capital Pool Checkers Club Day Recognition Resolution of 2021".

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia celebrates the Capital Pool Checkers Club, supports its continuation, and salutes the senior African American community of Washington, D.C.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.