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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 5, 2021

To recognize Mtokufa Ngwenya for more than 5 years of tireless work and dedication serving the District of Columbia in his role as Chief of Staff for Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr. at the Council of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Mtokufa Ngwenya took a risk and a new path when he accepted the position as Chief of Staff to Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr. in the Council of the District of Columbia in 2016;

WHEREAS, without prior experience, Mtokufa Ngwenya quickly got to work setting up a new Council office, hiring staff, identifying priorities, and setting a standard of efficiency, integrity, and persistence;

WHEREAS, Mtokufa Ngwenya immediately demonstrated his value in his ability to hire a strong team. His reliability and drive to be better were hallmarks of his leadership as Chief of Staff;

WHEREAS, Mtokufa Ngwenya's ability to solve problems was evident while navigating a seamless transition to virtual work during the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, his ability to defuse difficult situations by listening to people's concerns and focusing on the heart of each problem was an asset to the office;

WHEREAS, Mtokufa Ngwenya encouraged staff to focus their work on what would truly impact District residents;

WHEREAS, Mtokufa Ngwenya's ability to forge relationships with people from all across the District was valuable to the work of the office; and

WHEREAS, Mtokufa Ngwenya brought a sense of humor, compassion, style, and professionalism to his work, which set the tone for the office, including how staff interacted with each other, with colleagues in the District government, and with residents.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution be cited as the "Mtokufa Ngwenya Recognition Resolution of 2021".

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and thanks Mtokufa Ngwenya for his work and dedicated service to the District of Columbia as Chief of Staff to Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr. and wishes him well in his next ventures.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.