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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

November 2, 2021

To recognize and honor Board of Elections Executive Director Alice P. Miller for her years of exemplary service to the government and residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Alice P. Miller is a native Washingtonian;

WHEREAS, in her early years, Alice P. Miller attended the Holy Trinity School, where she excelled academically, played the violin, and was a cheerleader;

WHEREAS, Alice P. Miller graduated from Boston College and Northeastern University School of Law;

WHEREAS, Alice P. Miller began her career at the District of Columbia Board of Elections (“Board”) in 1988 as a Staff Attorney;

WHEREAS, in 1996, Alice P. Miller was hired as the Board’s General Counsel and named the Board’s Acting Executive Director, and she served in both roles until 1998;

WHEREAS, Alice P. Miller was appointed Executive Director of the Board in 1998, and she held this position until 2008, when she left the Board to work at the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (“EAC”);

WHEREAS, at the EAC, Alice P. Miller served in the positions of Chief Operating Officer from 2008 to 2012 and Acting Executive Director from 2012 to 2015;

WHEREAS, in 2015, Alice P. Miller returned to the Board as an Elections Management Advisor and was appointed the Board’s Executive Director for a second time in 2016;

WHEREAS, Alice P. Miller was the Board’s Executive Director from 2016 until July 2021;

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Director Miller guided the Board through the 2020 election cycle – a cycle marked by the unprecedented and unique challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic;

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WHEREAS, under Director Miller’s leadership, the Board rose to the occasion, implementing new and innovative programs to protect the health of District voters, while increasing access to the polls;

WHEREAS, Director Miller moved quickly and diligently to stand up a system of all-mail balloting, which included mailing ballots to all voters, acquiring ballot drop boxes, and operating Vote Centers for in-person voting during early voting and on election day;

WHEREAS, as a result of Director Miller’s hard work, the District was able to hold safe and secure elections during the public health emergency;

WHEREAS, Director Miller’s qualifications have been nationally recognized by her peers;

WHEREAS, Director Miller has served as President of the National Association of State Election Directors; member of the federal Advisory Committee on Elections; member of the Technical Guidelines Committee for Elections Systems; and member of the Standards Board for the EAC;

WHEREAS, Director Miller currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors for the Election Center, a national association representing election officials, where she has been elected a Lifetime Member by its Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, Director Miller has been credited with implementing the first statewide dual-voting process in every precinct in the jurisdiction – a process since implemented in many jurisdictions nationally; the District continues to use this process today, which allows voters to select either paper or electronic methods of in-person voting;

WHEREAS, Director Miller has earned the admiration and respect of past and current colleagues at the Board, and she is regarded as a caring, motivating, inspirational, and hands-on leader, never asking her staff to do that which she would not do herself;

WHEREAS, Director Miller’s daily actions and attitude demonstrate her commitment to the Board and its staff’s continued growth and success;

WHEREAS, Director Miller announced her retirement in July of 2021 but is continuing in her service to the Board as a Senior Policy Advisor during the transition; and

WHEREAS, Director Miller has been married to Linzell Miller for 38 years, and they have 2 children, Kyle and Kara, and 2 grandchildren, 2-year-old twins Logan and Mason.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the “Alice P. Miller Recognition Resolution of 2021”.

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Sec. 2. The Council recognizes and honors Alice P. Miller for her decades of exemplary service to the government and residents of the District of Columbia, her dedication to the voters, and her commitment to the integrity of the electoral process.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.