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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

24-178

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 3, 2022

To recognize and honor Project Briggs, Incorporated for their second annual official DC Black Pride health and wellness event, “Pride by the River” on Monday, May 30, 2022.

WHEREAS, in 1997, Abdur Rahim Briggs learned that his identical twin brother was diagnosed with HIV, he was inspired to create the “Annual White Attire Affair” barbecue and fundraiser, which first took place in 1999, to give back to the African American community where HIV infection rates were rapidly growing;

WHEREAS, in 2002, the “Annual White Attire Affair” originally attended by 151 partygoers continued to grow, Mr. Briggs formed the Ummah Endowment Fund to accommodate the overwhelming evolution of outreach and support;

WHEREAS, in 2008, Mr. Briggs established Al Sura, Incorporated to expand the scope and services of his organization to assist with urban projects and initiatives;

WHEREAS, in January 2016, Mr. Briggs established Project Briggs, Incorporated, which he officially launched November 6, 2016;

WHEREAS, Project Briggs, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) progressive independent non-profit public charity foundation whose mission is to provide leadership, improve brand building, communication, promote and to assist urban projects through innovative fundraising activities and advocacy;

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2022, Project Briggs, Incorporated will host their second annual official DC Black Pride health and wellness event, Pride in the Park;

WHEREAS, Pride in the Park serves to bring awareness to health and wellness through HIV testing, education regarding sexual health, and informational sessions on various health topics;

WHEREAS, Pride in the Park is a health and wellness harm reduction outreach initiative that is expected to host between 2,000-3,000 individuals during DC Black Pride in the ‘Great Ward 8’ on May 30, 2022;

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WHEREAS, Pride in the Park is a celebration that unites all communities through food, live music, and positive vibes on the Anacostia River.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Project Briggs, Incorporated Second Annual Pride by the River Recognition Resolution of 2022”.

Sec. 2. The Council and District of Columbia acknowledge and honor Project Briggs, Incorporated for their fundraising, advocacy, philanthropy and awareness efforts through the annual DC Pride official event, Pride in the Park.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.