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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

24-223

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

July 12, 2022

To recognize and honor the 60th birthday and retirement of Miles Rawls, Federal Officer with the Federal Protective Service within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

WHEREAS, Miles Rawls was born and raised in the Barry Farm Housing Project in Southeast Washington, D.C. in 1962. Mr. Rawls attended Birney Elementary, Douglas Junior High School, and graduated from Frank W. Ballou High School in 1981;

WHEREAS, Mr. Rawls joined the U.S. Army in 1983, serving 12 years before being honorably discharged in 1995;

WHEREAS, in 1997, Mr. Rawls joined the Federal Protective Service at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in 1997;

WHEREAS, during Mr. Rawls' career with the Federal Protective Service, he was charged with protecting federal government facilities and safeguarding the lives of both federal employees and visitors within its facilities;

WHEREAS, Mr. Rawls retired in April 2022, after 25 years of dedicated service with the Federal Protective Service;

WHEREAS, in addition to his public service, Mr. Rawls serves as the Commissioner of the George Goodman Summer Basketball League, held at Barry Farm Recreational Center. The League, for which Mr. Rawls has served as Commissioner since 1996, attracts hundreds of college and professional basketball players from around the world, including current and former NBA players;

WHEREAS, the Goodman League, along with Mr. Rawls personality, humor, and sports commentary, has been cited as a deterrent to crime and serves as an attraction for attendees from all walks of life. Mr. Rawls has also partnered with other philanthropic organizations over the last decade, helping to distribute clothes, food, school supplies, and toys; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Rawls spent his career as a dedicated public servant, spending 37 years protecting and serving the people of the United States of America.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Miles Rawls 60th Birthday and Retirement Resolution of 2022”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the 60th birthday and retirement of Miles Rawls.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.