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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

<u>September 20, 2022</u>

To recognize and honor the contributions of General Marion Mann, MD, to Ward 4 and the greater District community.

WHEREAS, Marion Mann was born on March 29, 1920 in Atlanta, Georgia where he attended Booker T. Washington High School and graduated from the Tuskegee Institute, with honors, in 1940;

WHEREAS, Upon the start of the war, Mann was drafted as a private into the U.S. Army where he was assigned to the Tuskegee Army Airfield as a medical laboratory technician. Private Mann entered Officer Candidate School and received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in 1942, later serving in the hospital at the Tuskegee Army Air Base and after the war in Japan. Mann would go on to serve with the Army Reserves until 1980, retiring as a Brigadier General;

WHEREAS, Mann was admitted to the Howard University College of Medicine in September of 1950 where he later graduated as the president of his class with honors. He spent 2 years interning with the US Public Health Service Hospital in Staten Island, New York followed by a residency at Georgetown University. He earned a PhD at Georgetown as well as later, honorary doctorates from Georgetown and the University of Massachusetts;

WHEREAS, Dr. Mann returned to his alma mater, Howard Medical School, as assistant professor and later associate professor. He was recognized there with a "best teacher" award and a full professorship. Mann became the 12th Dean of Howard University's College of Medicine in 1970 where he had numerous accomplishments including the completion of funding for the new University Hospital in 1974, a multi-million-dollar endeavor. Dean Mann also established the Departments of Family Practice, Dermatology, Neurology, Oncology, the Center for Sickle Cell Disease, and the Center for Cancer Research. Dr. Mann resigned his Deanship in 1980 to return to teaching until retiring in 1983 and returning in 1988 to serve as the University's Vice President for Research;

WHEREAS, After 38 years of combined active and reserve military service and 23 years in civilian work, Dr. Mann retired. He continued serving his community as a volunteer at the National Archives and the National Arboretum, as well as writing exhaustive research

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on the genealogy and family history of the Kigh, Mann, Reagin and Sykes families;

Additionally, Dr. Mann served in leadership roles with the Plymouth Congregation United Church of Christ and Peoples Congregation UCC; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mann passed away on August 20, 2022. Dr. Mann's family included his wife and college sweetheart, Ruth Maurine Reagin, who were married in 1943. Together their children were son, Nicholas Mann, and daughter, Judith Mann Walk, as well as grandchildren Tina Webb, Jennifer Covington, Dr. Kelley Carroll, Kenneth Robert Walk, Jr., Terrence Mann, and Eric Mann and dozens of great grandchildren and grandnieces and grandnephews.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Doctor Marion Mann Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2022".

- Sec. 2. The Council honors and celebrates the contributions of Dr. Marion Mann to the District and the surrounding community.
 - Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.