

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

25-166

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

January 9, 2024

To recognize and honor Jesse Rabinowitz for his work as Senior Manager for Policy and Advocacy at Miriam’s Kitchen, and his contributions to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Jesse Rabinowitz joined Miriam’s Kitchen in 2015, where he served as a tireless advocate for ending homelessness in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Mr. Rabinowitz managed The Way Home Campaign, a coalition of over 110 organizations and 7,000 voters working to end chronic homelessness in the District, which advocated to Council to secure funding to end chronic homelessness for more than 6,000 individuals;

WHEREAS, Mr. Rabinowitz mobilized thousands of advocates to oppose the eviction of homeless encampments before adequate housing and services could be provided to residents;

WHEREAS, Mr. Rabinowitz consistently highlighted the connections between institutional racism and white supremacy and the District’s affordable housing and homelessness crises, and elevated the leadership of individuals and groups with lived experience of homelessness; and,

WHEREAS, after 8 years at Miriam’s Kitchen and in local advocacy, Mr. Rabinowitz has joined the National Homelessness Law Center as the Communications and Campaign Director, to continue his work serving the most vulnerable.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Jesse Rabinowitz Recognition Resolution of 2024”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and celebrates Jesse Rabinowitz accomplishments during his time Miriam’s Kitchen, his tremendous service the District of Columbia, and the many lives he impacted through his work.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.