



Chairman Phil Mendelson

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize April as the Month of the Military Child.

WHEREAS, United States military families help sustain our fighting force, and it is important to emphasize and recognize the critical role of their dependents while their parents serve the nation;

WHEREAS, the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission is committed to resolving the educational transition issues that are faced by these children and their families;

WHEREAS, the average military student faces transition challenges more than twice during high school, and most military children will attend six to nine different school systems from kindergarten to 12th grade;

WHEREAS, Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission is committed to easing transitions for children of military families and ensuring that they are afforded the same opportunities for educational success as other children and are not delayed in achieving their educational goals;

WHEREAS, in 1986, former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger designated the month of April as the Month of the Military Child;

WHEREAS, beginning in April 2018 and every year in April thereafter, Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission and other organizations underscore the important role of military children in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia believes it is important to celebrate and honor the role of military children and families in our communities.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "April is the Month of the Military Child Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2024".

45 Sec. 2. The Council acknowledges the extraordinary sacrifices that military families make
46 and commends the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission on the important work that
47 it does to enhance the quality of life and educational opportunities for military children.

48 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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