Councilmember Brandon Todd

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize D. Kamili Anderson for her contributions in the fields of community service, education, publishing, and library service; and for her outstanding years of service as the Ward 4 Representative to the District of Columbia State Board of Education.

WHEREAS, D. Kamili Anderson currently serves as the Ward 4 Representative to the D.C. State Board of Education and is a member of the District of Columbia's Board of Library Trustees;

WHEREAS, D. Kamili Anderson was first elected to her position as the Ward 4 Representative to the District of Columbia State Board of Education in 2011 and was reelected in 2012.

WHEREAS, during her term with the State Board for Education, D. Kamili Anderson was a staunch advocate for the greater engagement of families and communities in and by schools, and for the elimination of disparities in school facilities, services, and policies across the city;

WHEREAS, she worked to identify critical issues relating to the District's NCLB waiver and obtain federal Race to the Top funding; contributed to the development of the District's Environmental Literacy Plan; worked to adopt the Next Generation Science Standards and early childhood education standards; and served as an advisor in the District's establishment of a master facilities plan for DC schools.

WHEREAS, during her two terms, she served as Chair of the State Board of Education's Truancy and Student Engagement Committee and its Parent and Community Engagement Committee.

WHEREAS, she was a member of the Office of the State Superintendent of Education's School Garden Advisory Committee; a member of the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education's Public Education Master Facilities Plan Interagency Working Group; and a member of the LaSalle-Backus Education Campus and Roosevelt High School modernization teams.

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WHEREAS, she also led the State Board of Education's community and interagency engagement around revisions to school absenteeism and truancy regulations, spearheading the Board's roundtable outreach efforts and authoring its summative report;

WHEREAS, D. Kamili Anderson has been a leader in Ward 4 civic affairs, working diligently with local government and private-sector partners to promote conscientious, community-friendly development and neighborhood stability;

WHEREAS, as President of the Brightwood Community Association (2004 to 2009), she led efforts to revitalize vacant and blighted properties, increase senior and affordable housing opportunities, address transportation and pedestrian safety issues, and improve park and recreational facilities;

WHEREAS, she also served on several local and citywide planning committees and task forces, including service as a member of the Community Advisory Group for the Walter Reed Army Medical Center Local Redevelopment Authority (Mayoral appointment; December 2012 to June 2013);

WHEREAS, D. Kamili Anderson is a Board Member of the Beacon Brightwood Business Alliance (2009 to present) and of the Emory Beacon of Light (2015 to present);

WHEREAS, D. Kamili Anderson is a proud graduate of Howard University, having obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Science from that institution, from which she graduated magna cum laude;

WHEREAS, D. Kamili Anderson is the proud parent of three children, each of whom graduated from Washington, DC's Benjamin Banneker Academic High School and went on to obtain postsecondary degrees from Howard University, Stanford University, American University, and the Parsons School of Design;

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the "Ward 4 District of Columbia State Board of Education Representative and District of Columbia Library Trustee D. Kamili Anderson Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2016."

- Sec. 2. The Council recognizes and congratulates D. Kamili Anderson for her public service to the District of Columbia and for her personal and professional achievements.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.