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#### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## 22-374

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# <u>September 18, 2018</u>

To recognize Stella Hodge for her committed public service and 50 years of service to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Stella Hodge studied at the University of the District of Columbia and Bowie State University;

WHEREAS, Stella Hodge has worked on behalf of the people of the District for half a century;

WHEREAS, during her time working for the District's Office of Tax and Revenue, Stella Hodge has gained expertise in all 21 tax types administered by the Office of Tax and Revenue;

WHEREAS, in addition to serving as the liaison between the Office of Tax and Revenue and the Council of the District of Columbia, Stella Hodge also serves as the spokesperson for the Office of Tax and Revenue;

WHEREAS, Stella Hodge led the development and implementation of the Office of Tax and Revenue's state of the art Customer Service Center, which has greatly improved the customer service experience;

WHEREAS, Stella Hodge assisted in establishing the Office of Tax and Revenue's Problem Resolution Office, which provides one-on-one assistance to residents facing complex and unique tax problems;

WHEREAS, Stella Hodge created the Tax Practitioner Institute and the Employee Tax Institute, both of which are now offered annually by the Office of Tax and Revenue;

WHEREAS, for her outstanding work and substantial contributions to the District government, Stella Hodge received both the Special Act Award and the CFO Award, and was a finalist for the Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Award for Distinguished DC Government Employees;

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WHEREAS, Stella Hodge is highly engaged in her community, serving as a member of the Usher Board and Hospitality and Greeter ministries at Antioch Baptist Church and serving as Servant Leader and Vice Chair of Hope Center Inc., Helping Others Endure; and

WHEREAS, Stella is married to Robert Hodge and has 2 daughters, 3 grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Stella Hodge Recognition Resolution of 2018".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes Stella Hodge's commitment to and passion for working for and with the residents of the District of Columbia for 50 years.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.