

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

March 5, 2019

To recognize the Washington Blade and its commitment to quality journalism for the citizens of the District of Columbia and for all Americans, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary, and to declare October 11, 2019, as “Washington Blade Day” in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the Washington Blade is committed to the standards of ethical, quality journalism for all District residents and for all Americans;

WHEREAS, the Washington Blade has maintained an office and strong presence in the District of Columbia for 50 years, serves more than 250,000 readers as one of the largest media outlets focused on LGBTQ issues in the world, continues to be a strong corporate citizen on behalf of LGBTQ Washingtonians, employed hundreds of local residents, and supported dozens of local charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Blade has an unparalleled 50-year award-winning track record of advocating on behalf of LGBTQ people in the District of Columbia, across the United States, and around the world.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Washington Blade Recognition Resolution of 2019”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the Washington Blade for its exceptional and continuous contributions to the District of Columbia and its commitment to quality journalism for citizens of the District of Columbia and all Americans, and declares October 11, 2019, as “Washington Blade Day” in the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.