### A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# May 7, 2019

To recognize and honor E. Veronica Pace for her 30 years of service to the District of Columbia government and her life-long service to the citizens of the District.

WHEREAS, E. Veronica Pace was born at Columbia Hospital for Women on May 17, 1940 to Nolvert and Eulalia Scott;

WHEREAS, E. Veronica Pace was educated in the District of Columbia Public School System, thereafter, earning a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and a Master's in Social Work from Howard University;

WHEREAS, E. Veronica Pace had a long work history in the District government. From 1964 through 1978, Ms. Pace worked as a social worker in the Department of Public Health, the Area B Community Mental Health Center, and the Department of Maternal and Infant Care/Children and Youth;

WHEREAS, from 1978 through 1983 E. Veronica Pace progressed to working in an executive capacity as Executive Assistant to the Special Assistant for Health Affairs at the Department of Health, Special Assistant to the City Administrator, and as Director of the Office on Consumer Protection;

WHEREAS, from 1983 through 1991, E. Veronica Pace served as Director of the Office of Aging where she became a legend in her advocacy for the seniors of the District of Columbia. During her tenure, E. Veronica Pace completed many major tasks including: restoration of full local funding for the Office on Aging, construction and renovation of Senior Wellness Centers, improved the Agency's client tracking technology, improved customer service, created the D.C. Caregiver Institute, and the Created the District of Columbia Senior Works Internship Program;

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WHEREAS, from 1997 through 2007, E. Veronica Pace served a second time as Director of the Office of Aging, giving her almost 20 years of her life as Director of the Office;

WHEREAS, E. Veronica Pace also performed many other duties during her tenure in the District government. She served as a Hearing Examiner for the Office of Human Rights, an Appeals Examiner for the District of Columbia Board of Appeals, a member of the District of Columbia Developmental Disabilities State Planning Council, Women's Program Coordinator for the Department of Human Services, and Ex Officio member of the DC Statewide Health Coordinating Council;

WHEREAS, E. Veronica Pace received a plethora of awards and recognitions from the District of Columbia government, United States government, professional organizations, community organizations, and private groups;

WHEREAS, E. Veronica Pace retired from District of Columbia service on March 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, E. Veronica Pace passed on April 8, 2019.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "E. Veronica Pace Recognition Resolution of 2019".

- Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Colombia recognizes and appreciates E. Veronica Pace for four decades of service to the District of Columbia, its citizens and especially her stewardship and protections of the District of Columbia's senior citizens.
- Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Colombia Register.