

## A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

## IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

2	To recognize and celebrate the life of Reverend Dr. Robert "Bob" Edward Mathieu.
3	WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Robert "Bob" Edward Mathieu was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania, and grew up in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1971, he became a proud Ward 8 resident;
5	WHEARAS, he received the call to preach as a teenager and he began the process to the ministry through the Assemblies of God working with youth groups;
7 8	WHEARAS, in his lifetime he earned a Certificate of Ordination, a Ministerial Diploma, and Doctor of Humane Letters;
9	WHEREAS, Reverend Mathieu preferred the title of Pastor because he loved everyone and ministering to his flock, which he considered to be Southeast, Washington DC;
11 12 13	WHEARAS, some of the accomplishments of Pastor Mathieu included the founding and directing of Camp Dynamite, Anacostia Gospel Chapel, Anacostia Educational Foundation, and hosting educational endeavors, community empowerment programs and peacemaking initiatives;
14 15	WHEREAS, Pastor Mathieu had a good sense of humor which, he used that ability to connect with others,
16 17	WHEREAS, he had the ability to imitate voices and used the voice of Fat Albert, saying "hey, hey," that led children in the neighborhood to give him the name Reverend Fat Albert;
18 19 20 21	WHEREAS, his life's work included being a mentor, champion of marginalized populations, being the President of the Washington City Bible Society and Washington, DC Citywide PTA, being a board member for Teen Challenge, Project Bridges, and Stoddard Baptist Nursing Home, and held memberships with the National Black Evangelical Association and Clergy Policy Community Partnership;
23 24 25 26	WHEREAS, Pastor Mathieu received many awards including the Father of the Year, Seymour House of Howard University Humanitarian Award, and the Linda Moody Community Service Award, but the award he probably cherished the most was the love of his wife and life partner, Sharon P. Mathieu, who his last words on this Earth was telling her, "love you;"
27	WHEREAS, Pastor Mathieu's life was one of love and a desire to share his passion so that more souls could know Christ, the Bible verses in 2 Timothy 4:7 and Matthew 25:21, may

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29 30	say it best, "You have fought the good fight and have finished the course and kept the faith, and now it is time that our heavenly father say to him, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."
31 32 33	RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Reverend Dr. Robert "Bob" Edward Mathieu Ceremonial Resolution of 2020."
34 35	Sec. 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.