

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

23-280

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JUNE 9, 2020

To recognize Dorothy Salley Davis on her 80th birthday.

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1940 and made Washington, D.C. her home at an early age;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis attended D.C. Public Schools and graduated from Cardozo High School;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis went to work for the federal government as a secretary at the U.S. Department of Commerce, where she met and married the late William Davis and had a total of 4 children: Larry, Angela, Cynthia, and James;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis made her family a priority and discontinued employment with the federal government to take care of her children, attending every P.T.A. meeting into high school;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis's love for children extended beyond her household to Burrville Elementary School where she began to volunteer in the early 1970s where she was instrumental in the planning of a new Burrville Elementary School in the late 1970s;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis was well known throughout the Burrville community and started sewing classes for young girls at Burrville Elementary School;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis enjoyed doing school-based projects with her children and would not accept anything below an "A" on any project;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis was recommended by teachers to provide childcare to parents in need due to her love for children and began her home day care, opening her household to families from early in the morning into the late evening;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis eventually returned to work in the private sector for Ogden Allied Services as a supervisor and then returned to her first love of working with children at Aiton Elementary School until her retirement;

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WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis currently attends church in Ward 7 at Antioch Baptist Church of Deanwood, where she has served as an usher for over 50 years;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis, affectionally called “Momma Lovebug,” is infatuated with her love for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis’s love of quilting led her to produce numerous quilts for her children, siblings, grandchildren, great grandchildren, friends, and neighbors, and her love for baking pound cakes led her to similarly share, leaving a satisfying taste in the mouths of everyone of those fortunate to enjoy her pound cake;

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis has been an inspiration to her family, friends, fellow church members and community; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Salley Davis celebrates her 80th birthday on June 5, 2020.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Dorothy Salley Davis Recognition Resolution of 2020”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes Dorothy Salley Davis on her 80th birthday and joins with family and friends in saluting her for a life full of love.

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