

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

23-281

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JUNE 9, 2020

To recognize and honor the League of Women Voters of the District of Columbia on the occasion of its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and for its service to the citizens of Washington, DC.

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters of the District of Columbia (the D.C. League), a chapter of the League of Women Voters of the United States, was incorporated in Washington, D.C., on April 22, 1920;

WHEREAS, the D.C. League celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on April 22, 2020;

WHEREAS, the D.C. League observes in its conduct the principles of the League of Women Voters of the United States which rest on fundamental beliefs in representative government and that democratic government depends upon informed and active participation of citizens in government;

WHEREAS, the D.C. League is a non-partisan civic organization that neither supports nor opposes any political party or individual candidate but has devoted its programs over decades to informing citizens about matters of public policy and governance of the District;

WHEREAS, the D.C. League has been a leader in the fight for D.C. Home Rule, achieved in 1973, for example, designing a program to gain the support for this goal from other Leagues and citizens around the country and ultimately other organizations;

WHEREAS, the D.C. League's efforts led to formation of a coalition pursuing full, voting representation in Congress gaining, as an interim measure, a non-voting Delegate in the U.S. House of Representatives; and,

WHEREAS, the D.C. League continues to pursue the worthy goal through the current legislative efforts in the U.S. Congress by which the District of Columbia would gain statehood.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the "League of Women Voters of the District of Columbia Recognition Resolution of 2020".

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the League of Women Voters of the District of Columbia on its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and declares April 22, 2020 as League of Women Voters of the District of Columbia Day.

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