

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

23-286

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 22, 2020

To celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Joseph L. Bowser and Joan Bowser on July 16, 2020.

WHEREAS, Joseph Bowser married Joan Davis on July 16, 1950, when they pledged vows of marriage;

WHEREAS, Joseph and Joan Davis are both District of Columbia natives;

WHEREAS, Joseph and Joan Bowser raised their 5 children, Mercia, Marvin, Martin, Mark and Muriel, in the North Michigan Park neighborhood of the District;

WHEREAS, Joseph and Joan Bowser raised their children with a strong grounding in their Catholic faith and commitment to serving others;

WHEREAS, Joseph Bowser worked for the facilities division of District of Columbia Public Schools for 40 years, served as the Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner for 5A03, and served as the president of the North Michigan Park Civic Association;

WHEREAS, Joan Bowser worked as a registered nurse in the District of Columbia for the entirety of her career;

WHEREAS, Joseph and Joan Bowser are well-known leaders of their North Michigan Park community, where they have lived for decades and continue to live to this day, and have had an enormous impact on the neighborhood and neighbors alike;

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2020, Joseph and Joan Bowser celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, a remarkable achievement; and

WHEREAS, Joseph and Joan Bowser's marriage is a testament to the commitment that they have made to each other, the bond that they share with each other, and their strength through the challenges that they have encountered over the last 6 decades.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Joseph and Joan Bowser 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2020”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia celebrates the 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Joseph and Joan Bowser and recognizes the great achievement of two extraordinary District residents.

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