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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

23-290

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 22, 2020

To recognize Jourdinia Brown for her decades of advocacy and service to Shepherd Park, Ward 4 and the District.

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown grew up in Amelia, Virginia attending public schools and graduating from high school with distinction;

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown received a Bachelor of Science in secondary education and Masters in Guidance Counseling and Administration from Virginia State University;

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown moved to Washington, D.C. in 1963 where she pursued further education at George Washington University and University of Maryland, earning an Advanced Professional Certificate from the Maryland State Board of Education;

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown had a 36-year career in public education, both as a teacher and later as a guidance counselor;

WHEREAS, following her retirement, Jourdinia Brown dedicated her time to serving and bettering her community;

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown served as Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner for single-member district 4A02 for 6 straight terms over a twelve-year period, where she served as treasurer and vice chair of 4A;

WHEREAS, during her time as Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner, Jourdinia Brown never campaigned or advertised her candidacy, but made it a point to “let her work speak for her”;

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown has been involved in several neighborhood and community organizations, including the Shepherd Park Citizens Association, where she served as treasurer, the Federation of Citizens Association, and a member of Georgia Avenue Gateway;

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown has been an active participant in the District’s political process, participating in campaigns for various Mayor’s and Councilmembers;

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WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown has been appointed to serve on various boards and commissions by both Mayor Anthony Williams and Mayor Adrian M. Fenty;

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown has received various accolades for her integrity and dedicated services, including being honored by St. Mary's College for being an exceptional counselor, a letter of commendation from the Maryland State Superintendent of Schools, several certificates and awards from the Shepherd Park Citizens Association, a Certificate of Appreciation from Mayor Anthony Williams, a Certificate of Appreciation from Mayor Adrian M. Fenty, and a Ceremonial Resolution in 2008 from then Councilmember Muriel E. Bowser; and

WHEREAS, Jourdinia Brown has had a tremendous impact on her community and the District, serving with integrity, loyalty, and conscientious, tireless, and dedicated service.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Jourdinia Brown Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2020".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia Jourdinia Brown for her dedication to improving the lives of all people and for serving her community with dignity and tireless effort.

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