

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

23-301

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

September 22, 2020

To celebrate Gordon McDonald upon the occasion of his retirement from the District of Columbia government and for all of the work he has done on behalf of the residents of the District.

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald attended Howard University where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and a Master's Degree in Finance;

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald joined the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Finance, the precursor to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), as a Budget Analyst, on October 15, 1984;

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald on October 1, 1997, became the Associate Deputy Chief Financial Officer of the Office of Budget and Planning;

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald on July 22, 2007, was appointed Deputy Chief Financial Officer of the Office of Budget and Planning;

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald, as the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, provided overall management for the development and execution of the District's \$15.4 billion operating budget and \$8.5 billion Capital Improvements Plan;

WHEREAS, during his leadership of the OCFO's Office of Budget and Planning, Gordon McDonald helped to develop 24 consecutive balanced budgets and earned 19 "Distinguished Budget Presentation" awards from the Government Finance Officers' Association;

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald has been recognized on multiple occasions for his work on behalf of the residents of the District of Columbia, receiving the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's awards for Meritorious Effort, Dedicated Service, Sustained Budget Quality, Special Acts, and Sustained Superior Performance Award, and the Morris & Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Award for Distinguished DC Government Employee;

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald truly represents the OCFO ideal of a public servant who strives every day to provide the highest standard of service to the residents, businesses, visitors and the government of the District of Columbia by being service driven with a strong work ethic, motivated and mission-focused, accountable, respectful of his customers and co-workers,

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trustworthy and team-focused, empowered to achieve excellence, and results oriented;

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2020 Gordon McDonald retired from the OCFO and was honored for his more than three decades of work; and

WHEREAS, Gordon McDonald gained the respect and admiration of members in the legislative and executive branches of the District government for being a professional and committed executive who delivers quality services to residents in the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Gordon McDonald Retirement Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2020.”

Sec. 2. The Council honors Gordon McDonald on the occasion of his retirement from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer’s Office of Budget and Planning, and thanks him for the distinguished service and valuable contribution he has made to the District of Columbia.

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