

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

23-309

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

July 21, 2020

To posthumously recognize the life and contributions of Betty Brown.

WHEREAS, Betty Brown was a native of Rock Hill, South Carolina who moved to the District of Columbia permanently in 1973;

WHEREAS, Betty Brown attended Livingstone College and graduated with an undergraduate degree in 1970;

WHEREAS, Ms. Brown then went on to the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Finance and earned a Master of Business Administration degree, underscoring the brilliance she had evidenced to that point in her academic career;

WHEREAS, Ms. Brown then pursued a professional financial career with KPMG which foreshadowed a career in financial management with the District of Columbia government and then Howard University where she applied her considerable skills and acumen in the dental school until she retired;

WHEREAS, Ms. Brown, along with her husband, Reverend Arthur Brown, had 2 daughters, Mary Jamila, who attended Howard University, and Miriam, who earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Clark Atlanta University, both of whom now enjoy successful professional careers;

WHEREAS, Ms. Brown was also kind enough to bring her financial experience to the political world, serving as treasurer in the campaign of her neighbor Vincent C. Gray who became Mayor of the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Betty Brown also was an avid sports fan who enthusiastically followed professional football and joined with her daughter Jamila in a fun-loving pool as an often-unbeatable duo dubbed as Bejam; and

WHEREAS, Betty Brown made a substantial contribution to life in our city.

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

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Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia is proud to salute Betty Brown and her life and accomplishments on the occasion of her passing.

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