1 2 ouncilmember David Grosso 3 4 5 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION 6 7 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 8 9 10 To recognize the 15th Annual Transgender Day of Remembrance, and to declare Thursday November 20, 2014, as "Transgender Day of Remembrance" in the District of Columbia. 11 12 13 WHEREAS, transgender individuals face high rates and severity of violence, including 14 72% of homicides according to the National Coalition of Anti-Violence Projects in 2013; 15 16 WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has a particularly alarming history of violence 17 against transgender individuals, especially transgender women of color, including the murders of 18 Deoni Jones, Lashai Mclean, Tyli'a Mack, Elexius Woodland, Bella Evangelista, Emonie 19 Spaulding, Stephanie Thomas, Ukea Davis and too many others; 20 WHEREAS, the District of Columbia strives to be a city that is welcoming and safe for 21 all residents and visitors, including transgender people; and WHEREAS, the Transgender Day of Remembrance is held on November 20th around the 22 23 world to memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice. 24 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this 25 resolution may be cited as the "Transgender Day of Remembrance Resolution of 2014". 26 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the contributions of the 27 transgender community and its vulnerability to violence, and declares Thursday, November 20, 28 2014 as "Transgender Day of Remembrance". 29 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in

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the District of Columbia Register.