

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

April 10, 2018

To recognize and honor Debbie Danielson and Forecast, a one-stop shop for busy women located on Capitol Hill in its 40th and final year of business.

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson opened Forecast on March 1, 1978, as The Leather Forecast, which became Forecast in 1986;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson is an exemplary employer, with a long-time staff of 5, offering family health insurance, a generous vacation policy, and a living wage;

WHEREAS, in addition, Debbie Danielson provides endless support to staff with young families and aging parents, as well as other family members needing care or attention, allowing all staff to be unconditionally available mothers, sisters, daughters, wives, and friends;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson seeks out suppliers that uphold labor and environmental standards, dropping successful lines if they do not;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson creates a store that countless customers call home, a place to share life's hardships and triumphs, grief and laughter - the full spectrum of life-events;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson works tirelessly and with endless enthusiasm with customers to cultivate their personal style, enabling success and confidence in offices, boardrooms, and classrooms, during interviews and while selling houses, at reunions, weddings, funerals, and first dates;

WHEREAS, domestically and abroad, Debbie's customers are looking good and feeling good while doing the extraordinary and the ordinary;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson and Forecast had a long-standing relationship with *Our Place*, a nonprofit organization that provided wrap-around services to women coming out of the prison system;

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WHEREAS, support included benefit fashion shows and bi-annual donations to the boutique at *Our Place* that amounted to tens of thousands of dollars each season;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson bakes and donates hundreds of the most-delicious cookies ever made to an annual charity event benefiting District of Columbia foster children;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson, an extraordinary cook, every day provides staff and lucky customers with superb organic farm-to-table offerings, supplemented only occasionally by a COSTCO run;

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson through Forecast made countless in-kind donations to Capitol Hill schools to support local children and their education; and

WHEREAS, Debbie Danielson has almost single-handedly ensured that all Forecast customers understand and embrace the importance of the style and function of a scarf.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Debbie Danielson and Forecast Recognition Resolution of 2018”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia acknowledges and honors Debbie Danielson and Forecast as an exemplary Capitol Hill employer and small business for the last 40y years.

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