

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 16, 2018

To honor and recognize the small business community development field of the District of Columbia for their many contributions to improving the quality of life for residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia has a rich spectrum of community development entities including nonprofit and for-profit affordable housing developers, housing counseling and human service agencies, workforce development providers, small business technical assistance providers and associations, community lenders, community development intermediaries, and government agencies that have made tremendous contributions to improving the quality of life of low- and moderate-income residents and the economic vitality of our community;

WHEREAS, affordable housing developers have created and preserved thousands of quality, affordable homes throughout the District of Columbia for the benefit of low- and moderate-income residents;

WHEREAS, small business technical assistance providers, community lenders, and business associations have fostered opportunities for entrepreneurs to start and expand businesses, creating jobs for District residents;

WHEREAS, community development practitioners shape policies and legislation, strengthen programs, and generally improve the infrastructure of community development activity in the District;

WHEREAS, the Coalition for Nonprofit Housing & Economic Development (“CNHED”) is committed to highlighting the accomplishments and dedication, and critical need for these organizations and efforts;

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WHEREAS, CNHED has designated early October, annually, to be the time of recognition for these organizations and their efforts to enable all District residents to be part of thriving, livable communities that are socially, racially, and economically just; and

WHEREAS, during the week of October 15 through October 19, 2018, the government and the citizens of the District of Columbia will join together to celebrate the many accomplishments and importance of our community development sector.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Community Development Week Recognition Resolution of 2018".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes the multitude of organizations engaged in community development, both nonprofit and for-profit, along with their government agency partners, for their accomplishments and exemplary dedication to all residents of the District of Columbia.

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