

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 3, 2023

To recognize, honor, and celebrate the Latin American Montessori Bilingual Public Charter School of Washington, D.C., on the occasion of its 20th anniversary.

WHEREAS, the Latin American Montessori Bilingual Public Charter School (LAMB) is a public charter school with the mission of creating a self-directed Montessori learning environment in which children build a foundation of knowledge essential for a lifetime of learning, with the goal of biliteracy in English and Spanish;

WHEREAS, LAMB first operated in the basement of the Our Redeemer Church in Northeast DC in 2003 and operated in many different locations in the District of Columbia, including the historic Military Road School and at the former Walter Reed campus;

WHEREAS, LAMB was founded as an education option to serve at-risk Hispanic and Latino students and provide access to the Montessori learning philosophy;

WHEREAS, LAMB was both the first public Montessori school and the first Spanish immersion charter school in the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, LAMB has been a top-performing school since the DC Public Charter School Board started assessing school performance;

WHEREAS, LAMB had an enrollment of 553 students in School Year 2022-23 and has a waitlist of 1,200, demonstrates the demand for its Montessori Bilingual program;

WHEREAS, LAMB staff come from 16 different Latin American countries and share their cultures and heritage with their students; and

WHEREAS, a new chapter of the school's history started this year after closing its last satellite site and welcoming all its students at its state-of-the-art campus at 5000 14th St NW;

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Latin American Montessori Bilingual Public Charter School 20th Anniversary Celebration Recognition Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and celebrates the Latin American Montessori Bilingual Public Charter School on the occasion of its 20th anniversary and its commitment to its students, to academia, and to the communities of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.