

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 3, 2023

To recognize Dr. Maurice D. Edington for his inauguration as the 10<sup>th</sup> President of the University of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the University of the District of Columbia is the only public university in the nation's capital, the only exclusively urban land-grant university in the United States, and a historically black university committed to a broad mission of education, research and community service;

WHEREAS, Dr. Maurice D. Edington officially began his service to the University of the District of Columbia as its 10<sup>th</sup> president on August 1, 2023;

WHEREAS, President Edington previously served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at Florida A&M University, where he guided strategy for vice presidents and other senior administrators to improve institutional outcomes on key performance indicators and sustain operational excellence;

WHEREAS, President Edington will show his Firebird spirit at the University of the District of Columbia's Alumni Homecoming Weekend on November 17<sup>th</sup> through 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023;

WHEREAS, President Edington has a strong vision for the University of the District of Columbia to be recognized as a leading HBCU, a first-choice institution for students, a top destination for employers and funding agencies, and an economic driver for the District and surrounding areas;

WHEREAS, President Edington presides over an institution that commits to serve its students, transform lives, and uplift communities, while continuing their trajectory of educational excellence, enrollment enhancement, and expanded research opportunities.

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RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution be cited as the “University of the District of Columbia President Dr. Maurice D. Edington Inaugural Recognition Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. The Council and District of Columbia welcomes President Edington and his family into our community and embraces his vision for the University of the District of Columbia, the only public university in the nation’s capital.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.