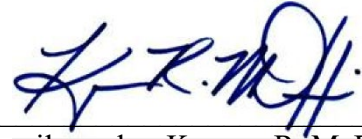
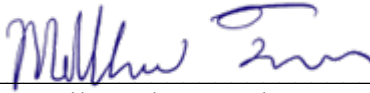


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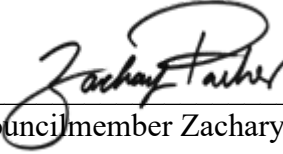
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13 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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17 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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21 To commemorate and recognize February 7, 2024, as National Girls & Women in Sports Day in
22 the District of Columbia.
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24 WHEREAS, in 1987, the Women’s Sports Foundation held the first National Girls and
25 Women in Sports Day (NGWSD) to commemorate the Olympic volleyball player Flo Hyman for
26 her athletic achievements and dedication to promoting equality in women’s sports;

27 WHEREAS, the Women’s Sports Foundation was established in 1974 to advance the
28 lives of women and girls through sports and physical activity;

29 WHEREAS, in 2022, the Women’s Sports Foundation from its inception in 1974 to this
30 year’s Title IX’s 50th anniversary, has invested over \$100 million in impact efforts, helping to
31 shape the lives of millions of youth;

32 WHEREAS, the Women’s Sports Foundation established its first grant programs,
33 including summer camp scholarships in 1977;

34 WHEREAS, in 1990, the Women’s Sports Foundation marked their first year awarding
35 of Grants for Girls, distributing \$545,000 over 12 years to fund equipment, facility rentals, and
36 apparel for girls’ sports programs nationwide;

37 WHEREAS, in 1980, the Women’s Sports Foundation launched the International
38 Women’s Sports Hall of Fame to honor history-making female athletes and coaches and to
39 solidify the reputation of female athletics worldwide;

40 WHEREAS, the Women’s Sports Foundation launched their Internship Program in 1982;

41 WHEREAS, in 1985, the Women’s Sports Foundation created their High School All-Star
42 program, recognizing more than 1,700 female athletes while providing more than \$1 million in
43 college scholarships;

44 WHEREAS, the Women’s Sports Foundation published *The Wilson Report: Moms,*
45 *Dads, Daughters, and Sports*, the first large-scale, nationwide, intergenerational study of the
46 female sports experience;

47 WHEREAS, in 2018, the Women’s Sports Foundation joined forces with Athlete Ally, a
48 nonprofit LGBTQ+ athlete advocacy group, and over 60 elite athletes globally, join in opposition
49 to the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF)’s eligibility regulations for
50 female track athletes;

51 WHEREAS, in 1997, the Women’s Sports Foundation publishes *The Women’s Sports*
52 *Foundation Gender Equity Report Card*, examining more than 700 National College Athletic
53 Association (NCAA) universities for compliance with Title IX;

54 WHEREAS, in 2001, the Women’s Sports Foundation published *Health Risks and the*
55 *Teen Athlete*, providing evidence that participating in sport fundamentally reduces common
56 health risks faced by teen girls;

57 WHEREAS, in 2003, the Women’s Sports Foundation worked tirelessly with over 100
58 organizations to protect Title IX, as the law was threatened to be dismantled by the current
59 administration at the time;

60 WHEREAS, in 2017, the Women’s Sports Foundation published Title IX and Girls in
61 Sports Poll Report, marking the 45th Anniversary of this landmark legislation, and measuring
62 Title IX awareness and support as well as attitudes and behaviors surrounding girls’ sports
63 participation;

64 WHEREAS, in 2020, the Women’s Sports Foundation established *The Equity Project*, a
65 new collective-impact initiative designed to close the gaps in equitable access to, and
66 opportunities in, sports;

67 WHEREAS, in 2021, the Women’s Sports Foundation launched its ‘We Play Interactive’
68 a first-of-its kind digital resource for coaches, leaders, and mentors of girl-serving sports
69 programs;

70 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
71 resolution may be cited as the “National Girls & Women in Sports Day Ceremonial Recognition
72 Resolution of 2024”.

73 Sec. 2. The Council acknowledges National Girls & Women in Sports Day in the District of
74 Columbia as a tribute to celebrate and honor the remarkable contributions women have made in
75 the field of sports, enriching the world with their significant achievements.

76 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.