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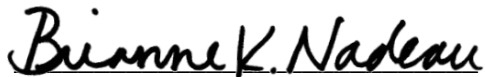
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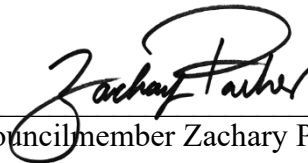
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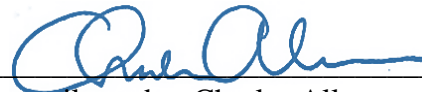
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A CEREMONAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize and honor the life and accomplishments of Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison.

WHEREAS, Dr. Alicy Murray-Jamison was born to Josephine Bryant and Henry Nelson;

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison graduated from Austin High School in Knoxville, Tennessee, a segregated school designated for Black students;

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison graduated from Union College in Lincoln, Nebraska with a Bachelor of Science in Counseling;

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison attended The University of Tennessee at Knoxville where she worked with former District of Columbia Mayor Marion Barry as part of the Student's Nonviolence Coordinating Committee and graduated with a Master's degree in Guidance and Counseling;

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison attended the University of Maryland where she graduated with a PhD in Counseling and Personnel Services and was recruited to the Intensive Educational Development program that helped disadvantaged youth enter and successfully complete college;

WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison prepared for student protests and raised funds for students participating as Freedom Riders during summer breaks;

50 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison married Dr. Winston C. Murray-Jamison, and after they
51 moved to the District of Columbia she started teaching at Banneker High School;

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53 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison worked as a counselor for the United Planning
54 Organization's Neighborhood Youth Corps, then began work as a developmental advisor at the
55 Washington Technical Institute (WTI) where she collaborated with Dr. Cleveland Dennard to develop and
56 incorporate WTI into the University of the District of Columbia;

57 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison served the Chief of Counseling, Associate Director of the
58 Personal Development Unit and Acting Director of the Intensive Educational Development program;

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60 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison met and married Dr. Lawrence Jamison, Esq. and both
61 worked on supporting Black faculty and staff members at the University of Maryland, each separately
62 serving as President of the University of Maryland's Black Faculty and Staff Association;

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64 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison worked at a professor at Howard University's School of
65 Medicine and earned a post doctorate master's degree in public health;

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67 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison served as Director of the Baltimore City Health
68 Department where she broke new ground on the city's drug programs and created new counseling
69 programs to combat addiction;

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71 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison worked to economically and mentally empower people
72 living in subsidized housing in the Kenilworth-Parkside neighborhood in the District and assisted the
73 Kenilworth-Parkside Residents Management Corporation (KPRMC) in working with the US Department
74 of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to return ownership Kenilworth-Parkside's public housing to
75 its tenants;

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77 WHEREAS, through the KPRMC Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison created and developed a substance
78 abuse program that hosted Alcoholics and Narcotics Anonymous programs; provided free personal
79 counseling to residents, assisted formerly incarcerated persons with re-entry efforts, created child
80 development programs, and managed after school tutoring;

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82 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison taught the newly formed National Association of
83 Resident Management Corporations her model for wide-ranging substance abuse programs, and it was
84 replicated across major U.S. cities;

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86 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison embarked on a partnership called AlRag to publish books
87 centered around and for Black children;

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89 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison was a vibrant member of the Pan-Africanist community
90 in the 1970s, and worked with artists who premiered in different concentrations such as writing, poetry,
91 music, muralist painting, graphic designers, and mixed media artists;

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93 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison was initiated into the Washington DC Alumnae Chapter
94 of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Fall 1990 where she served as co-Chair of the Scholarship Committee,
95 as the chapter's Sargeant-at-Arms, and committees on physical and mental health, and planning programs
96 affecting voters and civil rights;

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98 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison had seven children: Melita Murray-Carney, Aisha
99 Murray, Sir-Otiato Jamison, Cheree Jamison, Tracee Jamison and Schuyler Jamison;

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101 WHEREAS, following retirement Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison opened a neighborhood, alcohol-free
102 jazz club. It was alcohol free due to her background in providing counseling on substance abuse, and she
103 wanted to provide a safe space for those in recovery to enjoy music and an outing without temptation;
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105 WHEREAS, a non-profit haven for artists at 2813 12th Street NE in Brookland in Ward 5 was
106 born in 2015 and named Alice’s Jazz and Cultural Society, colloquially known as “JACS”;
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108 WHEREAS, through a grant award from Humanities DC, JACS showcased collaborative
109 educational and performance efforts between the DC and Cuban jazz communities;
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111 WHEREAS, JACS’ space hosted community discussions, Ward 5 ANC and City Council
112 community meetings, and shows during the city’s Jazz Fest;
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114 WHEREAS, even though the COVID-19 pandemic affected business, JACS was able to reopen
115 for limited runs from Summer 2020 to early 2023;
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117 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison passed on November 26, 2023, and leaves a legacy that
118 will live on for generations to come.
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120 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution
121 may be cited as the “Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2024”.
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123 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors Dr. Alice Murray-Jamison for her years
124 of dedication to her community, family, and friends where she was a leader and pillar of the community.
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126 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the
127 District of Columbia Register.