

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

25-206

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

April 2, 2024

To recognize the Metropolitan Police Department officers who responded to events on February 14, 2024, for their bravery and heroic efforts to protect the residents of the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2024, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officers approached the suspect with a warrant after Humane Law Enforcement received reports of animal cruelty at the suspect's residence;

WHEREAS, when the officers responded to Humane Law Enforcement's report and attempted to serve an arrest warrant, the suspect reacted by opening fire from the building;

WHEREAS, four MPD officers were injured, 3 by gunshot;

WHEREAS, roadblocks disrupted local schools and neighbors as the officers worked diligently to negotiate the suspect's surrender;

WHEREAS, the actions of MPD's Emergency Response Team resulted in the rescue of 31 dogs and puppies and the arrest of the suspect after an hours-long standoff;

WHEREAS, the 3 officers shot on the scene recovered after treatment at the MedStar Washington Hospital Center;

WHEREAS, everyone who works, visits, and lives in the District, including our police officers, deserves to be safe and secure; and

WHEREAS, MPD police officers put their lives on the line to protect District residents every day and the District is safer because of their commitment and sacrifice.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Metropolitan Police Department February 14, 2024, Response Recognition Resolution of 2024".

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Sec. 2. The Council honors and recognizes the responding officers for their bravery and efforts to protect residents of the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.