A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

June 5, 2012

To recognize, honor, and celebrate Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin for his distinguished service and extensive contributions to the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin obtained his medical degree from Meharry Medical College in 1965, was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, and was also selected as the Outstanding Senior Medical Student in both Medicine and Surgery;

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin served as Chief of Orthopedics at the 12th Evacuation Hospital and at the 95th Evacuation Hospital in the Republic of Vietnam, received a Bronze Star, and completed his military service as a U.S. Army Major;

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin is a Clinical Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at Howard University School of Medicine and Clinical Associate Professor of Community Health and Family Medicine at Georgetown University School of Medicine;

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin, who has maintained an interest in the need for Orthopedic Surgery in developing countries since his tour in Vietnam, has continued his work on 3 separate orthopedic volunteer tours in Africa, as well as serving on the Board of Orthopedics Overseas;

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin provides orthopedic care to the homeless community in Washington through his ongoing volunteer service to the nonprofit health care organization, Unity Health Care of Washington, DC, and in 2005 was named Affiliate of the Daughter of Charity;

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin has served as Chief of Orthopedic Surgery at Providence since 1977, and in March 2008 became the first African American President of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin, currently serves on the boards of the American Joint Replacement Registry, the Orthopedic Research and Education Foundation, and the Eastern Orthopedic Association, and is Managing Director of the Eastern Orthopedic Association.
RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin Recognition Resolution of 2012”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognize, honors, and celebrates Dr. Edward Anthony Rankin for his distinguished service and extensive contributions to the District of Columbia.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.