A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

July 10, 2013

To recognize and honor the Metropolitan A.M.E Church on its 175th anniversary.

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church is located at 1518 M Street, N.W. in Ward 2;

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church is known as the “The National Cathedral of African Methodism;”

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church was founded on July 6, 1838;

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church was a safe haven to runaway persons who were enslaved;

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church hosted the funeral services of Frederick Douglass and former Senator Blanche K. Bruce;

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church hosted the pre-inaugural prayer services for former President William J. Clinton in 1993 and 1997;

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church raised over $56,000 in money and goods for survivors of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and

WHEREAS, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church has sponsored many community activities such as “Ending Gun Violence,” and “Stop the Pipeline to Prison.”.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Metropolitan A.M.E. Church 175th Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2013”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the Metropolitan A.M.E. Church on its 175th anniversary.

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