## COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RESOLUTION

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## ANNE FRANK HOUSE 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION **RECOGNITION RESOLUTION OF 2017**

WHEREAS, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1987 BY A GROUP OF MEMBERS OF ADAS ISRAEL CONGREGATION TO PROVIDE HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND SOCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES TO MEN AND WOMEN EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS DUE TO CHRONIC MENTAL ILLNESS, AND WAS ESTABLISHED AS AN INDEPENDENT 501 (C) (3) ORGANIZATION WITH TIES TO ADAS ISRAEL;

WHEREAS, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE IS NAMED IN HONOR OF ANNE FRANK WHO, ALONG WITH MILLIONS OF OTHERS, SUFFERED DISPLACEMENT AND WAS MADE HOMELESS THROUGHOUT THE HOLOCAUST;

WHEREAS, THE ORGANIZATION HAS ADOPTED WHAT IS KNOWN AS A 'PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING' MODEL TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS BY PURCHASING AND LEASING SINGLE-OCCUPANCY RENTAL PROPERTIES IN WARDS 3 and 4 TO PROVIDE SAFE SHELTER FOR HOMELESS RESIDENTS;

WHEREAS, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE'S SUCCESS AND EXPANSION OF THE NUMBER OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING UNITS THEY ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE IS LARGELY DUE TO THE DEDUCATION AND PASSION OF THE ALL-VOLUNTEER BOARD WHICH HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERTISE IN REAL ESTATE, LEGAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES, AND NON-PROFIT MANAGEMENT;

WHEREAS, TO HELP CLIENTS ACHIEVE GREATER INDEPENDENCE, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE HAS BUILT A CLOSE PARTNERSHIP WITH FRIENDSHIP PLACE TO PROVIDE THE MUCH NEEDED MEDICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, AND SOCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES NECESSARY FOR STABLE HOUSING AND MENTAL AND **EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING;** 

WHEREAS, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE'S STRONG NETWORK OF VOLUNTEERS BUILT CARING, ONE-ON-ONE RELATIONSHIPS WITH CLIENTS, THUS PROVIDING THEM WITH A STRONG SENSE OF SECURITY, SELF-RELIANCE, AND BELONGING IN THE COMMUNITY;

WHEREAS, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE HAS ALWAYS FOCUSED ON RAISING AWARENESS OF THE PLIGHT OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND FREQUENTLY ORGANIZES FUNDRAISING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COMMUNITY TO VOLUNTEER TIME OR EXPERTISE;

WHEREAS, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE IS PRIMARILY SUPPORTED BY THE CONSISTENT GENEROSITY OF FAITH-BASED COMMUNITIES, INDIVIDUAL DONORS, FOUNDATIONS, AND CORPORATE SUPPORTERS; AND

WHEREAS, WITH THE FOCUS ON HELPING THOSE IN NEED, THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE SERVES AS A STRONG EXPRESSION OF THE JEWISH VALUE OF "TIKKUM OLAM" – THAT BY IMPROVING THE LIVES OF OTHERS ONE CAN, IN TURN, IMPROVE THE WORLD.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THAT THIS RESOLUTION MAY BE CITED AS THE "ANNE FRANK HOUSE  $30^{TH}$  ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION RECOGNITION RESOLUTION OF 2017'.

SEC. 2. THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HONOR THE ANNE FRANK HOUSE AND CELEBRATES THE ORGANIZATION'S 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately. <u>Phil Mendelson</u> [signature] CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

I hereby Certify that this Resolution is true and adopted as stated therein.

Resolution Number: CER 22-104

Date: May 2, 2017 <u>Nyasha Smith</u> [signature] SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL