

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize and honor John Tatum, Sr., for his contributions to the District of Columbia and on the occasion of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., was born in Washington, DC on April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1919;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., has lived and continues to reside in Ward 5 for 66 years;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., attended schools in the District including Francis Junior High School and Armstrong Senior High School;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., served in the United States Navy from 1944 to 1947 and retired from the Navy Yard in 1974 after 38 years of service;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., is a member of Liberty Baptist Church located at 527 Kentucky Ave, S.E. where he currently sings in the Senior Choir;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., serves as a member of the senior choir with Liberty Baptist Church;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., married Pearl V. Tatum;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., has 6 children including, Rodney, Kevin, John, Joyce, Christa, and Maryland;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., favorite pass time is to swim;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., received 9 gold medals and 2 bronze medals at the Senior Olympics for the 50-meter freestyle, 100-meter freestyle, and 50-meter breast stroke;

WHEREAS, John Tatum, Sr., is committed to community activism through his annual Father’s Day cookout that host over 7,000 people each year since about 1988.

1           RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
2 resolution may be cited as the “John Tatum, Sr., Recognition Resolution of 2019”.

3           Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors John Tatum, Sr.,  
4 on the occasion of 100 years of life.

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