



Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To posthumously recognize and honor the life of Charles “Tommy” Harrison III.

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III., was born in the District of Columbia on December 24, 1974;

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III lived in Ward 7 for 40 years;

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III attended schools in the District including Benning Elementary, Our Lady Queen of Peace, and Archbishop Carroll High School;

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III attended Georgetown University for two years before transferring to Wake Forest University where he earned his bachelor’s degree;

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III was recognized as an elite basketball player throughout the entire Country;

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III received Washington Post All Met honors while averaging 26 points per game at Archbishop Carroll High School;

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III started all 32 games as a freshman at Georgetown University and was named to the Big East All-Rookie Team, finishing second on the team in scoring behind Alonzo Mourning and ahead of Dikembe Mutombo;

WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III helped the Wake Forest Demon Deacons advance to the NCAA Sweet 16 during the 1992-93 season, and into the second round of the NCAA tournament during the 1993-1994 season;

1           WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III was inducted into the Archbishop Carroll  
2 High School basketball Hall of Fame in 2015 as a member of the 1989 Metro Conference  
3 championship team and was inducted as a player in 2016;  
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5           WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III was a dedicated and valued member of the  
6 Architect of the Capitol Team since 2000, where he worked in multiple positions;  
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8           WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III dedicated his life as a coach and mentor to  
9 student athletes across the District of Columbia;  
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11           WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III served as Head Boys basketball coach of  
12 Cardoza High School from 2014-2017;  
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14           WHEREAS, Charles “Tommy” Harrison III served as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach  
15 of Cesar Chavez Charter High School from 2009 – 20013 and 2017 - 2019; and  
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17           WHEREAS, those left to cherish his memory, includes his three daughters: Charley  
18 Harrison, Chayla Harrison, and Layla Harrison; Parents: Nancy and Charles Harrison II; brother:  
19 Keith Harrison, and a host of friends.  
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21           RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
22 resolution may be cited as the “Charles “Tommy” Harrison Recognition Resolution of 2019”.  
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24           Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia posthumously recognizes and honors the  
25 life of Charles “Tommy” Harrison III for his outstanding contributions as basketball player and  
26 his dedication to the youth of the District of Columbia; and declare July 28, 2020 as “Charles  
27 “Tommy” Harrison III Day” in the District of Columbia.  
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29           Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in  
30 the District of Columbia Register.