

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize and honor the partnership between the Greater Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Equality Chamber of Commerce DC Metro Area.

WHEREAS, the Greater Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1976 with the mission of promoting economic development and facilitating success for Latino and other minority-owned businesses and communities in the Washington, DC area;

WHEREAS, the Equality Chamber of Commerce DC Metro Area works with queer and allied businesses to create and organize workshops, events, community partners, and facilitate the success of LGBTQ+ businesses in the DC metropolitan region;

WHEREAS, the Equality Chamber of Commerce DC Metro Area is affiliated with the National Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce, winning their Chamber of the Year award in 2012;

WHEREAS, the Greater Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has become the premier business leader and partner for Hispanic and minority-owned businesses in the region;

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2022, the Greater Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Equality Chamber of Commerce DC Metro Area announced the establishment of a formal partnership;

WHEREAS, the organizations plan to use the partnership to expand each organization's ability to market and advertise products and services across both platforms to reach a broader audience;

WHEREAS, both Chambers waited to announce the partnership until June 2022, Pride Month, so as to further recognize the impact the LGBTQ+ community has had at the local and national level; and

37 WHEREAS, the Chambers look forward to working cooperatively to further the businesses
38 interests of their constituencies and create a new, vibrant business community within the District.
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40 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this
41 resolution may be cited as the “Greater Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Equality
42 Chamber of Commerce Partnership Recognition Resolution of 2022”.
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44 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the Greater
45 Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Equality Chamber of Commerce DC Metro
46 Area for their outstanding dedication and service to the residents and businesses of the District of
47 Columbia.
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49 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.