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Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie

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7 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION  
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11 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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15 To recognize and honor the work of Linda Moore, founder of Elsie Whitlow Stokes  
16 Community Freedom Public Charter School, as the school celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Moore is the daughter of Elsie Whitlow Stokes, the school's namesake  
18 and a talented public educator;

19 WHEREAS, Ms. Moore earned a B.A. in English from the University of Arkansas and a  
20 Master's Degree in Counseling from the University of Memphis. Ms. Moore never intended to  
21 pursue a career in public education, but excellence in public education was in her blood;

22 WHEREAS, while pursuing a career as a mental health counselor and administrator, Ms.  
23 Moore became a national education policy advocate and leader;

24 WHEREAS, when the opportunity presented itself, Ms. Moore transitioned from national  
25 education policy advocate to education policy thought leader and charter school leader in the  
26 District of Columbia;

27 WHEREAS, Elsie Whitlow Stokes Public Charter School has prepared pre-kindergarten  
28 and elementary students to be leaders, scholars, and responsible citizens in the District of Columbia  
29 over the past 25 years. The school's curriculum focuses on academic excellence and community  
30 service;

31 WHEREAS, Ms. Moore continues to be an education policy advocate and leader, serving  
32 eight terms as chair of the D.C. Association of Public Charter Schools, as a member of the Friends  
33 of Choice in Urban Schools board of trustees, and as a founding board member of the D.C. Special  
34 Education Collaborative;

35 WHEREAS, Ms. Moore has earned multiple awards for her educational advocacy and  
36 leadership, including the Charles Stewart Mott Minority Leadership Development Fellowship and  
37 was inducted into the National Alliance of Public Charter School Hall of Fame; and

38           WHEREAS, outside of her career in education, Ms. Moore is a mother of two, grandmother  
39 of four, and currently serves on the board of Martha’s Table.  
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41           RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this  
42 resolution may be cited as the “Linda Moore Recognition Resolution of 2022”.  
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44           Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the work of Linda  
45 Moore and the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Elsie Whitlow Stokes Community Freedom Public Charter  
46 School.  
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48           Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.