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Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To recognize and honor St. Anthony Catholic School for its 100-year anniversary as an educational institution in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, St. Anthony was founded in 1922 as a Benedictine educational institution. St. Anthony was staffed by Benedictine Sisters when it was opened;

WHEREAS, St. Anthony has served students from across the District of Columbia, educating those from pre-Kindergarten through the 8<sup>th</sup> grade;

WHEREAS, St. Anthony, located in Ward 5, is a member of the Consortium of Catholic Academies in Washington, D.C. The Consortium strives to provide exceptional academic, social, and financial support to students in addition to a safe environment within which students can learn and grow;

WHEREAS, originally named the Thomas E. Shields Memorial School, St. Anthony was established to educate young students and to help train Catholic University of America's new teachers. Its students, and other students across the country, benefited from St. Anthony's mission. High caliber faculty and staff continue to be the trademark of St. Anthony;

WHEREAS, St. Anthony is dedicated to educating the whole student, providing academic, athletic, and spiritual opportunities to those it welcomes in its halls. St. Anthony believes this approach helps prepare students for a life of leadership and service;

WHEREAS, St. Anthony, led by Father Fred Close and Michael Thomasian, will continue beyond its 100-year anniversary with the same mission: to shape young minds through academic excellence rooted in gospel values; and

WHEREAS, St. Anthony is an outstanding education institution within the District of Columbia.

38           RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this  
39 resolution may be cited as the “St. Anthony Catholic School 100-Year Anniversary Recognition  
40 Resolution of 2022”.

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42           Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors St. Anthony  
43 Catholic School on its 100-year anniversary.

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45           Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.