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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize and honor Ransom Miller, III, founder of Project GiveBack Community Service Organization, on the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Food Distribution.

WHEREAS, Ransom Miller, III founded Project GiveBack Community Service Organization in 1995, holding the first annual Thanksgiving Food Distribution in Washington, DC;

WHEREAS, Mr. Miller’s vision of helping families in need during the Thanksgiving holiday has grown into a thriving service organization whose signature program is the Annual Thanksgiving Food Distribution. Other programs include The Back 2 School Backpack and School Supply Distribution, The Christmas Toy + Book Distribution, and The Homeless Support Effort;

WHEREAS, Project GiveBack Thanksgiving Food Distribution has become the premier service event in the DC Metro Area;

WHEREAS, Project GiveBack has distributed over 31,500 grocery baskets to needy families which translates to over 330,000 meals;

WHEREAS, Project GiveBack has garnered over 8,500 volunteers from various demographics which translates to over 32,000 volunteer hours;

WHEREAS, Project GiveBack has invested over \$1,700,000 to fund community service projects;

WHEREAS, Project GiveBack distributes toys to children from families with limited financial resources through their *Children’s Toy Drive*;

WHEREAS, Project GiveBack creates a safe, enjoyable space for children in Southeast D.C. to experience and celebrate Easter;

WHEREAS, Project GiveBack supports schools and community organizations in obtaining over 100 laptops and personal computers to enhance educational resources;

46 WHEREAS, Project GiveBack provides students from various backgrounds with  
47 opportunities to engage in experiences that foster career ambitions, creativity, and social  
48 innovation through their *Youth Exposure Program*;

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50 WHEREAS, Project GiveBack supplies backpacks, school supplies, and other essential  
51 items to students in need, distributed just before the school year begins through their *Back 2*  
52 *School Backpack and School Supply Program*;

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54 WHEREAS, Project GiveBack operates with an entirely volunteer-based staff, meaning  
55 there are no paid employees. As a result, 100% of the donations received are directed toward  
56 supporting charitable programming;

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58 WHEREAS, Project GiveBack has expanded its reach beyond Washington, DC,  
59 coordinating events in several U.S. cities, including Dallas (TX), Oklahoma City (OK), Tulsa  
60 (OK), St. Louis (MO), and Denver (CO);

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62 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this  
63 resolution may be cited as the “Ransom Miller, III and Project GiveBack Community Service  
64 Organization 30th Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2024”.

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66 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the contributions  
67 of Ransom Miller, III and Project GiveBack Community Service Organization to the District  
68 through their decades of service to families in Washington, DC.

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