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2 Councilmember Anita Bonds



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6 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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8 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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10 To honor and recognize Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey for her lifetime of distinguished public
11 service and extraordinary leadership in affordable housing, neighborhood revitalization,
12 resident empowerment, and community development in Ward 8 and throughout the
13 District of Columbia.

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15 WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey has devoted decades of service to improving the
16 quality of life for residents of Southeast Washington, D.C., and is recognized as a respected
17 community leader, housing advocate, and champion for Ward 8 families;

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19 WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey emerged as a trusted voice for residents of the
20 Valley Green community during her 55 years as a Valley Green resident, serving as President of
21 the Valley Green Resident Council during a pivotal period in the neighborhood’s history and
22 demonstrating exceptional courage, perseverance, and leadership in advocating for families
23 living in public housing;

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25 WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey, through her steadfast leadership and
26 collaborative spirit, worked alongside residents, public officials, housing agencies, nonprofit
27 organizations, and community stakeholders to help transform the former Valley Green public
28 housing community into the vibrant Wheeler Creek neighborhood, the development of which
29 created new opportunities for affordable housing, homeownership, economic development,
30 family stability, and a renewed sense of pride among residents;

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey consistently championed the belief that residents should have a meaningful voice in shaping the future of their communities and empowered families to participate in planning, redevelopment, and neighborhood decision-making while promoting dignity, self-determination, and collective responsibility;

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey served as Executive Director of the Wheeler Creek Community Development Corporation, where she provided leadership, developed community partnerships, and advanced programs supporting affordable housing, resident services, workforce development, youth engagement, economic opportunity, and neighborhood revitalization, resulting in the Wheeler Creek Community Development Corporation becoming an important resource for residents, helping families access services and opportunities designed to promote self-sufficiency, housing stability, and long-term community development;

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey’s dedication to affordable housing and resident empowerment extended throughout the District of Columbia through her service as a Housing Manager with the District of Columbia Housing Authority, where she worked to support safe, stable, and affordable housing for District of Columbia residents;

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey was appointed to serve on the Board of Directors of the District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency, in recognition of her knowledge, experience, integrity, and commitment to public service, where she contributed to policies and initiatives designed to expand affordable housing, promote community development, and strengthen neighborhoods throughout the District of Columbia;

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey’s advocacy extended beyond housing development to include support for financial literacy, workforce development, educational advancement, youth engagement, family services, and pathways to homeownership and economic mobility;

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey has demonstrated throughout her career an unwavering commitment to ensuring that residents have access to safe and affordable housing, opportunities for economic advancement, and a meaningful role in the decisions affecting their neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey has earned the respect and admiration of residents, elected officials, housing professionals, and community organizations throughout the District of Columbia through decades of distinguished public service, neighborhood advocacy, and civic leadership; and

WHEREAS, Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey’s legacy is reflected not only in the physical transformation of Valley Green into Wheeler Creek, but also in the families she has supported, the residents she has empowered, the leaders she has inspired, and the stronger community she helped build.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Jacqueline “Jackie” Massey Recognition Resolution of 2026”.

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79 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors and celebrates Jacqueline
80 “Jackie” Massey for her exceptional leadership, distinguished public service, and enduring
81 commitment to affordable housing, community development, resident empowerment, and the
82 residents of Ward 8 and the District of Columbia, and expresses its profound gratitude to Ms.
83 Massey for her transformative contributions to the Valley Green and Wheeler Creek
84 communities and for her decades of service to families and neighborhoods throughout the
85 District of Columbia.

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