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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

May 5, 2009

To recognize April 25, 2009, as the George Washington University Cancer Institute Gala Day as well as to commend The Cancer Institute for their commitment to conquering cancer locally, nationally, and globally through improving quality of care, expanding the body of knowledge in support of a cure, and advancing the development of focused research and treatment programs.

WHEREAS, the George Washington University Cancer Institute was established in 2003 to enhance cancer care for District of Columbia residents, and to study certain types of cancers that disproportionately affect specific populations in the District;

WHEREAS, the George Washington University Cancer Institute provides groundbreaking biomedical and clinical research, high-quality education and outreach programs, leading-edge cancer prevention and control, and cancer survivorship initiatives in the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area;

WHEREAS, the Dr. Cyrus and Myrtle Katzen Cancer Research Center at the George Washington University was established in 2008 with the mission to foster pioneering scientific research, superior clinical care, and advanced education dedicated to improving the diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of cancer;

WHEREAS, the Katzen Cancer Research Center and the George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates have opened a multi-disciplinary cancer treatment and care facility in the District of Columbia that focuses on the individualized effects of cancer, from diagnosis to survival, for people with cancer and their families;

WHEREAS, the George Washington University Medical Center serves as a resource to citizens of the District and the metropolitan area in the form of advocacy, support groups, education, outreach, and clinical care; and

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WHEREAS, the George Washington University Medical Center recognizes local leaders in the field of cancer care every year at the GW Cancer Gala, and this year will honor Rachel F. Brem, M.D., Jeanette A. Michael, Esq., and the Honorable Edward M. Kennedy.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "George Washington University Cancer Gala Day Recognition Resolution of 2009".

Sec. 2. The Council of The District of Columbia congratulates the George Washington University Medical Center and commends its commitment to improving cancer care within our community.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in the District of Columbia Register.