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Councilmember Charles Allen

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To honor the Capitol Hill Arts Workshop on the occasion of its 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and to recognize the dedication and commitment of executive director Jill Strachan for her service to the Capitol Hill community.

WHEREAS, the Capitol Hill Arts Workshop (“CHAW”) is a community-based, not-for-profit organization founded in 1972 by Sally Crowell and other community members who were interested in sharing their artistic expertise with children and adults;

WHEREAS, arts instruction classes were held in several Capitol Hill churches until, in the late 1970’s, the organization obtained the use of the old B.B. French School at 545 Seventh Street, S.E., from the District of Columbia government;

WHEREAS, CHAW is located in a racially and economically diverse neighborhood;

WHEREAS, CHAW embarked on an extensive renovation of the facility through a partnership with the Marines of the historic 8th & I Marine Barracks Washington D.C., neighborhood businesses, and residents;

WHEREAS, the mission of CHAW is to build community through the arts, and stay focused on its vision as a place where the arts connect and transform people;

28           WHEREAS, CHAW enjoys a wonderful partnership with the Homeless Children’s  
29 Playtime Project, a non-profit organization that helps connect families living in homelessness  
30 with free classes, camps, and activities provided by CHAW.

31           WHEREAS, CHAW is staffed by dedicated, thoughtful, and creative individuals who  
32 focus their efforts on discovering individual potential through making art accessible to all; and

33           WHEREAS, CHAW has enjoyed great success under the decade-long leadership of  
34 executive director Jill Strachan. Her commitment to supporting CHAW, its mission of  
35 community building through the arts, and the Capitol Hill neighborhood, is unparalleled.

36           WHEREAS, the District of Columbia and Council of the District of Columbia are  
37 privileged and honored to recognize the Capitol Hill Arts Workshop on this, its 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

38           RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
39 resolution may be cited as the “Capitol Hill Arts Workshop 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition  
40 Resolution of 2017”.

41           Sec. 2. The Council recognizes CHAW for its commitment to the District of Columbia.

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