



Councilmember Jack Evans

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, on the occasion of its 150th Anniversary.

WHEREAS, Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, was founded to serve the laborers, craftsmen, shopkeepers, and watermen of the Georgetown waterfront.

WHEREAS, Regular services were being held in 1857 in a wooden chapel that stood in the southwest corner of the churchyard, where the World War 1 memorial cross now stands;

WHEREAS, Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, was built in 1867 and located at 1041 Wisconsin Avenue, NW;

WHEREAS, Historically known as Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, it was added under that name to the National Register of Historic Places on May 6, 1971:

WHEREAS, Grace Church is an active parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Washington;

WHEREAS, Outreach to the community is a vital ministry of Grace Church. In the late 1960's programs were created for the many young people living on the streets of Georgetown, including job counseling, a food cooperative, and other programs;

WHEREAS, Grace Church remains the only religious institution in lower Georgetown and is committed to not only continuing its outreach program to the disenfranchised of the community, but also provide a spiritual refuge for everyone living and working in the Georgetown area regardless of religious affiliation;

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, 150th Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2017".

Sec.2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, on the observance of its 150th Anniversary and declares May 6th 2017 as "Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, Day" in the District of Columbia.

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