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**A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION**  
**ANC 7E -22-005**  
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**WHEREAS**, retired D.C. Fire and EMS Chief Kenneth Ellerbe, a native Washingtonian was a resident of the Benning Ridge Community located in Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7E.

**WHEREAS**, he was a graduate from Coolidge Senior High School and the University of the District of Columbia, where he earned two degrees – a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Public Administration.

**WHEREAS**, he was a man of service, a servant leader, and a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated.

**WHEREAS**, he joined the DC Fire Department in 1982 and served as interim fire chief for a few months under Mayor Anthony Williams.

**WHEREAS**, he was appointed in 2010 as Fire Chief by then Mayor and current Ward 7 Councilmember Vincent C Gray which was his “lifelong dream”.

**WHEREAS**, he served our city for 31 years and led D.C. Fire and EMS through a period of fundamental change that improved emergency response and created a safer District of Columbia for every resident until July 2, 2014.

**WHEREAS**, he led a cadet program, which he called his “proudest achievement” when he announced his retirement, which prepares recent D.C. High School graduates to become firefighters.

**WHEREAS**, he was always advancing youth in the city and made it a point to mentor young people, which he did in the Benning Ridge Community at Bard High School.

**WHEREAS**, his tenacious dedication to public service and his resilient leadership served as a role model for countless people.



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**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION OF 7E,** that we honor the contributions that D.C. Fire and EMS Chief Kenneth Ellerbe made every day to the Benning Ridge community, our city, the District of Columbia metropolitan area, and our nation.

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Veda Rasheed, ANC 7E01

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Delia Houseal, ANC 7E06  
Chair