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Legislation Text

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To celebrate the pastoral installation of Pastor Derrick Holmes at the Historic Union Grove Baptist Church

WHEREAS, the historic Union Grove Baptist Church is the third oldest Black Baptist Church in Columbus, and was organized in a log cabin on Mt. Vernon Avenue; and,

WHEREAS, the church was officially organized on April 29, 1888, with Reverends Poindexter, Nash, Meredith, and Metcalf, along with twenty charter members. Reverend H. E. Nash, the first pastor, guided the church as it quickly grew; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the Union Grove Baptist Church is to be a congregation where people have a transformational experience with God that moves them to transformational discipleship in the world; and,

WHEREAS, Over the course of 134 years, ten ministers have served as shepherds, guiding the congregation towards fulfilling their spiritual and communal duties; and,

WHEREAS, the Reverend Derrick K. Holmes has been called to serve as the 11th Senior Pastor in the church's 136 years history; and,

WHEREAS, Pastor-Elect Derrick K. Holmes will be officially elected to serve as the next Senior Pastor on Sunday, June 30th; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THIS COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: Celebrates the pastoral installation of Reverend Derrick K. Holmes to the historic Union Grove Baptist Church.