



Legislation Text

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To honor, recognize and celebrate the life of Ms. Dionesha “Dee” Clarke and extend our sincerest condolences to her family and friends on the occasion of her passing, Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

WHEREAS, the members of Columbus City Council extend this resolution of expression in honor of the life and service of Ms. Dionesha Clarke who peacefully passed away on Wednesday, January 2, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Dionesha was born to Bishop Timothy J. and Lady Clytemnestra L. Clarke in Warren, Ohio on Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 1978; and

WHEREAS, Dee’s early childhood education included the Tree of Life and Central Ohio Christian Schools - She later transitioned to Columbus Public Schools, and graduated from Mifflin High School in 1996; Dee attended the University of Akron after finishing high school, however she was led to enlist in the United States Air Force where she served as an Airmen First Class - after returning from the military, she returned to Columbus where she began attending the University of Phoenix at the Columbus Campus - completing her Bachelor of Science in administration; and

WHEREAS, Dee was an entrepreneur and the founder of the Bailey Gray Agency which specialized in social media management, administrative assistance, event planning and consulting for small businesses and entrepreneurs - Bailey Gray, specialized in allowing companies to build a credible brand assisting organizations with staying true to their mission as a one stop shop for helping with meeting business needs - Dee also developed and managed an inspirational Website and Blog entitled, “A Daily Dose of Dee,” which provided a daily motivation for people’s souls; and

WHEREAS, Dee understood the importance of making a difference - she worked at JP Morgan Chase as a Fraud Prevention Analyst, as an Investment Broker at Citi Financial and she served as Director of Special Events at the First Church of God for more than 11 years - and as a delegate on the City of Columbus Commission on Black Girls; and

WHEREAS, Dee will be missed - she was preceded in death by her paternal grandmother; Essie Mae Bailey, paternal grandfather; Rupert W. Clarke; her maternal grandmother, Betty Gray Lawson, aunt; Josephine Hudnell, uncles; Carroll Clarke and Frederick Clarke -left to cherish her memory include: her daughter; London Yvonne Logan; mother; Lady Clytemnestra L. Clarke, father; Bishop Timothy J. Clarke, sister; Joscelyn R. Clarke, nephew, Ryan J. Clarke, Grandfather, Robert L. Lawson; Uncles, Vincente (Angela) Lawson, Steven Clarke, aunts; Pamela Clarke, Laura Hudnell, cousins; Terrell (Gabriel) Lawson, Quentin Granger, Shayla Hudnell, Nicole Hudnell, Yolanda Lewis and a great host of relatives and friends; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby honor, recognize and celebrate the life of Ms. Dionesha Clarke and extend our sincerest condolences to her family and friends on the occasion of her passing, Wednesday, January 2, 2019.