

Legislation Text

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To honor, recognize and celebrate the life of Mrs. Anita Candler and to extend our sincerest condolences to her family and friends on the occasion of her passing, Thursday, August 29, 2019.

**WHEREAS**, the members of Columbus City Council extend this resolution of expression in honor of the life and service of Mrs. Anita Candler who peacefully passed away on Thursday, August 29, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Anita was born to Breda and Howard Stallworth in Cincinnati, Ohio on April 8, 1955 - her early years were spent in her birthplace of Cincinnati, Ohio - she was nurtured and loved by her devoted parents, and spent numerous summers with her extended family in Brewton, Alabama; after graduating from Marian High School, she matriculated to Kentucky State University, where she studied Psychology and Education; she also met the love of her life there, prior to transferring to Marymount College in Tarrytown, New York where she completed her Bachelor of Arts Degree; and

**WHEREAS,** Anita returned to Cincinnati to begin her career as an educator, working in the Cincinnati Public School System where she was recognized and awarded for her skills, proficiency, adoration and respect from her students - Anita later attained a Masters of Education from Xavier University while working and serving as a contributing writer for the Cincinnati Call and Post - she also served as an adjunct instructor at the University of Cincinnati; and

**WHEREAS,** Anita and Eric Michael Candler, M.D. were married in 1981 in Cincinnati, Ohio - a thriving marriage full of adventure - their union led Anita to work with the Washington, DC and Philadelphia, PA public school systems - she also endured one of her toughest assignments in Portsmouth, VA, as a young mother and Navy Officer's wife teaching at Norfolk State University and within the Norfolk Public School system as well as being a devote mother; and

WHEREAS, Anita enjoyed traveling with friends, dancing, Christian fellowship, nurturing students and young couples, as well as the ministry of counseling maturing women - Anita and her family returned to Ohio where she pursued academic experiences with smaller schools in Columbus, initially with Columbus School for Girls and subsequently with Columbus Academy where she served as Associate Instructor in the Lower School, Reading Specialist and Advisor to BOS cultural Affinity Group and liaison for Mosaic Affinity Group in the Middle School, until her health related challenges prompted her early retirement. Anita enjoyed her Christian fellowship at New Salem Baptist Church and served tenure as Deaconess - she also served as an officer in the Columbus chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. and was formerly a member of Links. Inc. She was an active member and past officer of the Sophisticates, Columbus Chapter; and

**WHEREAS**, Anita will be missed - she is survived by her husband Eric, two wonderful adult children, April Patrice and Evan Michael, her parents, Breda and Howard Stallworth (Montgomery, AL), her sister Freda McClean (Montclair, NJ) and an aunt, Doriscine Isaacs Colley, as well as numerous family members, countless friends and well-wishers. a host of 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 Mrs. Anita Candler and to extend our sincerest condolences to her family and friends on the occasion of her passing, Thursday, August 29, 2019.