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To Honor, Recognize, and Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

WHEREAS, in 1922, in a calling to serve God, the late Reverend Solomon M. Smith, his family, and a few Christians started the Friendship Baptist Church in Columbus, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, in 1924, the church congregation expanded and it moved to the corner of Donaldson and Grant Avenues in Columbus, where Deacons and Trustees were welcomed to the church community; and

WHEREAS, Reverend G. Thomas Turner, Sr. became the third Pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church, where he expanded the church's fellowship and helped the church construct a new edifice in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Scottie L. Aaron became the fourth Pastor of the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in 2016 and has led numerous new ministries, such as The Media Ministry, The Mother's Ministry, and The Prayer Warriors Ministry; and

WHEREAS, this summer, the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church is celebrating its 100 year anniversary, starting on July 3, 2022, with a service on July 10th and celebration events following on July 15th and the 30th; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council recognizes and celebrates the 100th anniversary of the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church and its history that is rooted in the City of Columbus.