

*October 14, 2018
Formal Agenda*

**TESTIMONIAL
RESOLUTIONS
AND SPECIAL
PRIVILEGE**

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Testimonial Resolution

Elder Kenneth J. Jenkins

"27TH Pastoral Anniversary"

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure and privilege that we, the members of the Detroit City Council, recognize and bestow honor upon ELDER KENNETH J. JENKINS, the Pastor and Founder of Redemptive Love Christian Center, as he celebrates his 27th Pastoral Anniversary; and
WHEREAS, ELDER JENKINS is a seasoned son of the Church Of God In Christ faith, under the tutelage of the late Elder Willie James Joshua Sr. He is an active charter Pastor of the Southwest Michigan Agape Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, under the leadership of Bishop Isaac King Jr., Presiding Prelate. He received his clergy ordination at the Southwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction #1 in August 1996, under the leadership of the late Bishop Willie Leroy Harris. ELDER JENKINS completed educational studies at Eastern Michigan University, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and Master of Arts degree in Educational Leadership. He served as an Elementary/Middle School Principal for the Detroit Board of Education and retired after forty years of dedicated service; and
WHEREAS, ELDER JENKINS is married to the lovely First Lady, Denise Jenkins. Together they have a blended family of eleven beautiful children; Joel and his wife Kristina, Jessica, Jaimi, Jonathan, Jabari, Daisha, Rhaine, Autumn, David and K. Josiah. They are also blessed with five wonderful grandchildren, Jesse, Brielle, Andrew (Drew), Andrew (Andy) and Austin; and
WHEREAS, ELDER JENKINS continues to do the work of the Lord with a humble and glad spirit. He exemplifies his faithfulness to God through his disposition and ethical living. ELDER KENNETH J. JENKINS is an anointed teacher, leader and preacher of the Word. who uses his gifts and talents to empower and encourage the people of God. His strong spiritual leadership, his abundant love for, and his sincere devotion to the ministry has instilled within the congregation of Redemptive Love Christian Center and the community, a tremendous level of confidence. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT
RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council and office of Council President Brenda Jones, hereby congratulates ELDER KENNETH J. JENKINS on this momentous occasion of his 27th Pastoral Anniversary as Pastor of Redemptive Love Christian Center.

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RESOLUTION
In Memoriam
MR. CONKLIN BRAY

WHEREAS, We, the members of the Detroit City Council, solemnly pause today to honor the memory of the late MR. CONKLIN BRAY, who made his heavenly transition on August 2, 2018, at the age of ninety-nine; and

WHEREAS, CONKLIN BRAY was born on November 21, 1918, in Chicago, Illinois, to the late Mary and Louis Bray. He spent many formative years in Idlewild, Michigan, before eventually settling in Detroit. CONKLIN attended Wayne State University and graduated in 1942 with a Bachelor's degree in Education. He married his college sweetheart, Harriet Pate, in 1942 before serving in World War II in Germany and France; and

WHEREAS, Upon his return, MR. BRAY embarked on a forty-year career in Education. He also continued a pursuit of higher education, earning a Master's degree. He was employed as a Truant Officer, Special Education Teacher, High School Principal and became a College Dean. After retiring in 1984, he started a new career as a Travel Agent. CONKLIN and Harriet traveled across the globe for more than twenty years; and

WHEREAS, MR. BRAY was very active in his church, Central United Methodist, and the community. CONKLIN tirelessly advocated for peace and equality for all. He proudly served for ten years as the Director of Green Pastures summer camp. The camp was operated by the Detroit Urban League and designed to provide camping experiences for underprivileged children. MR. BRAY had a vast range of hobbies and interests he enjoyed throughout his life. Among his favorite pastimes were: acting, painting, reading, attending the opera, playing the game Words with Friends, and talking with his children and grandchildren. He was also an avid golfer and bridge player. MR. BRAY always remembered birthdays and holidays and kept in touch with loved ones by sending greeting cards and notes in the mail; and

WHEREAS, MR. CONKLIN BRAY had a rich and fruitful life. His love and kindness, demonstrated through his generosity will continue to resonate with his family and in the community. MR. BRAY was preceded in death by his wife of sixty-three years, Harriet and his brother, Louis. He is survived by five children, Gerald, Philip (Sharyn), Stephen (Stephanie), Janet (Mark) and Kevin (Sophie); four grandchildren, Necia (David), Aaron, Milena and Spencer; four great-grandchildren, Kaiser, Zoryn, Kaz and Harrison; four nieces, Debbie, Judy, Vickee and Jane; a nephew, Michael; and a host of other relatives and friends. MR. CONKLIN BRAY has been a good servant and ensured that the values and traditions by which he lived would exist in the hearts of those he cherished for years to come. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council and office of Council President Brenda Jones, joins with family and friends in honoring the life and legacy of MR. CONKLIN BRAY. He will be greatly missed and his contributions and the lessons he taught will live on forever.

Handwritten signatures of Council members: Mary Sheffield, Gary S. Ayers, Scott R., and Raquel Castañeda-López.

Handwritten signatures of Council members: Brenda Jones, Mike Yeland, and Andre J. Spivey.

October 13, 2018
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Testimonial Resolution

In Memoriam

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Eula Mae Baker

May 2, 1922 – September 7, 2018

WHEREAS

Eula Mae Baker was a long time resident of Ethel Street in Southwest Detroit. She raised her family there and loved her neighborhood and neighbors; *and*

WHEREAS

Eula Mae Baker was born to the late Hattie Hicks Coney and Bee Coney on May 2, 1922 in Dublin, Georgia. Eula loved the Lord and accepted Christ at an early age. As a teenager, she joined the church and was baptized. During her teenage years, Eula moved to Key West, Florida where she worked on a naval base as a waitress; *and*

WHEREAS

She went from a waitress to attend Chicago School of Nursing where she earned her license as a Practical Nurse. Eula loved people and worked as a nurse for forty years. After retiring from Alexander Blaine Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, she decided to become a private duty nurse where at times she was not much older than her patients; *and*

WHEREAS

Eula met and married Floyd Baker in 1949. To their union, seven children were born. She joined Union Second Baptist Church in River Rouge, Michigan where she served on the usher board for fifty years. After serving as long as her legs would allow, Eula retired from the usher board at the young age of 90; *and*

WHEREAS

Her favorite song was, "I Won't Complain." She also wrote and published a beautiful song entitled, "Too Old to Dream." Eula was called home to be with the Lord on Friday evening, September 7, 2018; *and*

WHEREAS

Eula leaves to cherish her memory: sisters, Lydia Ellington, of Dublin, Georgia and Mosie Danner, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Floyd Baker; her children, Leah (Eleanor Ross, Gloria Baker Black, Boyd (Jerome), Otto Lorenzo, Jacqueline (JB); seven grandchildren; two bonus grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter. **THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED

Council Member Raquel Castañeda-López and the entire Detroit City Council extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of the late Eula Mae Baker. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you cherish her memory and celebrate her life.

Brenda Jones
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Mary Stuppia
COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM

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Andre J. Spring
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Raquel Castañeda-López
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September 15, 2018

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Testimonial Resolution 776

Mr. Lovell Williams

"The Man of the Hour"

WHEREAS: Mr. Lovell Williams was born to Robert and Evernell Williams on October 30, 1919, in Talladega, Alabama. Mr. Lovell Williams is the oldest of seven siblings; AND

WHEREAS: Mr. Lovell Williams graduated from Wilbur Wright High School. In 1943 Lovell went into the U.S. Navy, after several months he realized ocean water wasn't his friend, so he join U.S. Marines where he served 4 years in World War II. In the U.S. Marine Mr. Lovell Williams was one of the soldiers that gave protection to other troops from the rear of the fields. After a honorable discharge, Mr. Lovell Williams started his employment at the Ford Motor Company, as a machine operator and retired after 40 years of service; AND

WHEREAS: Mr. Lovell Williams married his soul mate Linda Logan, who had two sons. Mr. Lovell Williams had nine children, two of which have passed away, and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. He attends St. Paul United Methodist Church where he sings in the Men's choir and served as the President. He also volunteers in the St Paul Bread of Life Food Pantry. Mr. Lovell Williams also is a member of the 8 Mile Road Old Timer's Club; AND

WHEREAS: Mr. Lovell Williams loves bowling, fishing, playing Bid Weiss and sharing his wisdom with young men. He has great taste buds for good cooking, his favorite dishes include sweet potatoes pie, fried fish, fried chicken, collard greens..., Lovell loves all food; AND

WHEREAS: Mr. Lovell Williams is the King of fashionable clothing; AND

WHEREAS: Mr. Lovell Williams is a kind hearted, caring, loving person always trying to help others, As the quote states "It is not what you say but how you say it" Everyone loves Lovell's advice, he gives his heart, ear and low voice tone to everyone. Lovell has a way with words to all listening ear; NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE

RESOLVED: That Council Member Roy McCalister Jr., and the entire Detroit City Council, joins with Family and Friends in Celebrating the 99th Birthday of Mr. Lovell Williams.

Mary Sheffield COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM
Scott BO COUNCIL MEMBER
Raquel Castañeda-López COUNCIL MEMBER

Brenda Jones COUNCIL PRESIDENT
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James Tate COUNCIL MEMBER

October 28, 2018

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