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PRIVILEGE**

Testimonial Resolution 38

Bishop Charles L. Middleton, Sr.

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure and privilege that we, the members of the Detroit City Council, extend congratulations to BISHOP CHARLES L. MIDDLETON, SR. for his appointment on Sunday, January 13, 2019, as the Senior Interim Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, At age sixteen, BISHOP MIDDLETON was called to the ministry. In the spring of 1976, God gave him a clear word of wisdom that was destined to change the entire focus of his life. Since then, he has committed himself to the ministry of foundation laying and reconstruction in the Church. BISHOP MIDDLETON'S ministry has spanned over forty years. His place has consistently been on the cutting edge of restoration in both urban and rural churches; and

WHEREAS, BISHOP MIDDLETON is the Senior Pastor Emeritus of Mt. Zion New Covenant Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan, and President of the New Covenant Bible Institute (an extension campus of the Logos University in Jacksonville, Florida). BISHOP MIDDLETON is also the founder of Charles L. Middleton Ministries LLC, a non-profit organization that was established to broaden his ability to do the "Business of the Father." In addition, he served as the first Chancellor of the Michigan Full Gospel Pastors and Ministers Fellowship. DR. MIDDLETON has authored several books over the years. He is perhaps most famous for his Foundations Study Course material. This four-part series teaches about the One True God, The Man that God Made, The Lord of the New Covenant with Teachings on the Person, and the Work and Present Day Ministry of Jesus Christ. Other published materials include studies on Church Government, the Sacraments of the Church, and the Faithful Men's Ministry, which is specifically dedicated to Christian men. In December 1999, DR. MIDDLETON recorded his first CD project entitled, "Songs from the Heart" - a blend of favorite hymns, new songs and traditional songs with new arrangements; and

WHEREAS, His anointed Word ministry has caused him to be in great demand all across the United States, as well as in the African countries of Kenya and Uganda. BISHOP CHARLES L. MIDDLETON is an anointed teacher of the Gospel, who uses his gifts and talents to praise, empower and encourage the people of God. However, according to his own testimony, his greatest ministry is that of being a husband, father and grandfather. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council and office of Council President Brenda Jones, presents this Testimonial Resolution to BISHOP CHARLES L. MIDDLETON, SR.

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# Testimonial Resolution 39

## Posthumously Honoring Mr. LeRoy Rowley

**WHEREAS,** We, the members of the **Detroit City Council**, join with family and friends to honor the memory of the late, **Mr. LeRoy Rowley**. **LeRoy Rowley** was born on March 19, 1932, in Detroit, Michigan. He attended public schools in Detroit and Highland Park, graduating from Highland Park High School in 1950. **LeRoy** was a member of the Highland Park High School Band and studied privately with Carlos Rivera, the first Trombonist for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. After graduation, **LeRoy** enrolled at Wayne State University where he played in the Varsity Band and Symphonic Band; **and**









**WHEREAS,** In December 1951, **LeRoy** enlisted in the United States Air Force and was assigned to be a bandsman. After four weeks of basic training and band school, he was assigned to the band stationed at the Frances E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyoming. **Mr. Rowley** served as First Chair until December 1955, when he was honorably discharged. During his time in Cheyenne, Wyoming, he was also a member of the Cheyenne Symphony Orchestra; **and**

**WHEREAS,** Returning to Wayne State University in 1955 on a band scholarship, **LeRoy** played First Chair as a member of the Wayne State University Varsity Band, Concert Band and the Wayne State University Orchestra. During this time, he studied privately with Robert Jones, Trombonist Detroit Symphony Orchestra; Otto Kurt Smiecher, former Trumpeter Boston Symphony Orchestra; and Joseph Skirny, Trombonist Detroit Symphony Orchestra. **LeRoy** graduated from Wayne State University in 1958 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education. He earned a Master of Music degree in 1962. Over the years, **Mr. Rowley** played professionally with the Jewish Community Center Orchestra, Port Huron-Sarnia International Symphony Orchestra and the South Oakland Symphony Orchestra. He also played with local Jazz bands under the direction of Jimmy Wilkins and studied with Billy Horner; **and**

**WHEREAS,** As the first African-American male hired by the Detroit Public Schools (DPS) system to teach instrumental music, **Mr. Rowley** began his thirty-year career as a Music Teacher and Band Director. He taught at Condon Junior High, 1959-1963; Jackson Junior High, 1963-1964; and Western High School, 1964-1989. During his tenure at Condon and Western, his bands participated in the City Band Festivals and the Solo and Ensemble Festivals. He also coached the Western High School Tennis Team for eight years, sharing his love and knowledge of the sport that he had actively participated in since 1955. **Mr. Rowley** introduced many members of the band to the game of tennis. He was an active member of the Metropolitan Tennis Club during its decades of operation; **and**

**WHEREAS,** **LeRoy** married Constance Haliburton in October of 1961. They have two daughters, Janice Rowley and Dr. Karen Stallings. **LeRoy** was affectionately known as "Pop Pop" to his grandchildren, Tria and Daniel Stallings. **Mr. Rowley** retired from DPS in January 1989. He continued to hear from many of his former students and colleagues until the final days of his life. Without exception, young and old alike expressed their appreciation for the many life lessons that **Mr. LeRoy Rowley** had imparted to them in many different ways. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** That the **Detroit City Council** and office of **Council President Brenda Jones**, joins with family and friends to celebrate and honor the memory of **Mr. LeRoy Rowley**, a phenomenal man and an example for us to aspire to.

	
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**February 23, 2019**  
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**RESOLUTION**

In Memoriam

**KENNETH EARL SANDERS**

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*February 28, 1961 – February 9, 2019*

**WHEREAS,** KENNETH SANDERS was born February 28, 1961 in Memphis, Tennessee to Essex and Theresa (Samuels) Sanders. He matriculated through the Detroit Public Schools and graduated Tennessee State University; **and**

**WHEREAS,** Kenneth's service with the City of Detroit began with the Parks and Recreation Department, the Detroit Zoological Society, the Detroit Institute of Arts, and the Detroit Housing Commission. He served the City of Detroit for over thirty years before retiring in 2014. Kenneth worked under Mayor's Young, Archer, Kilpatrick, Bing and Duggan administration. Ken was a Contract and Project Manager with the Detroit Water and Sewage Department, Workforce Development and Public Lighting Department. Ken was a Business Consultant and appointed as a Commissioner to the City of Detroit's Historic District Commission in May 2015. During his tenure, Ken served as a NAACP Golf Committee Member, Board Member of the University District Association, an original Board Member of the Figure Skating of Harlem Detroit, Founder and Organizer of the City of Detroit Golf League and Detroit Golf Society. During his retirement, he enjoyed working as a Political Consultant and Fund Developer who worked with various political candidates in the City of Detroit and the State of Michigan. Ken was actively involved with the Detroit Chapter of Tennessee State Alumni Association, hosting an intimate fundraiser with President Glenda Baskin Glover who made her first visit to Detroit in January 2015; **and**

**WHEREAS,** Kenneth's efforts were tireless in his community and he was instrumental in various projects related to improving the quality of life for the citizens of Detroit. These efforts included maintaining the City of Detroit's five golf and being a catalyst for the Birchcrest Block Club. Ken often enjoyed his membership, conducting business and leisure at the Detroit Golf Club. He expressed a sincere love for the vibrancy and resurgence of Detroit. Ken magnetically drew people together from all walks of life. As a devoted family man and loyal friend, he loved his wife, his children, his family, and his friends sincerely and dearly. In an illustrious fashion, Kenneth Earl Sanders served the citizens of the City of Detroit diligently, earnestly, and faithfully; **and**

**WHEREAS,** Kenneth is survived by his loving wife, Lori, his children, Iman Christmas (Jerrell) Benjamin Holmes (Tamika), Kendra Renee Sanders and Kenneth Sanders Jr.; grandchildren; Joshua, Irian, Javier, Julian and Aiden; his brother Maurice Sanders; and hosts of relatives and friends including, Menelik Sanders, Otha Samuels, Rosa MaeTatum, Rosie Taylor, Marilyn Hill, Bahajj Jakar, Bahajj'ana, Ba'dhkiri, Percy B. Hill Jr., Kenya Santiago, Maya Joi Hill and more that loved him dearly; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** That the **DETROIT CITY COUNCIL** and office of **COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MARY SHEFFIELD**, wishes to take this resolution endure as a permanent record of respect and admiration, and that a suitably-enrolled copy be presented to the family of **KENNETH EARL SANDERS**.

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**February 20, 2019**

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