RESOLUTION NO.: R-2018-026

Approving the honorary naming of the 600, 700, 800, 900 and 1000 blocks of King Street between Millwood Avenue and Blossom Street "Judge Mildred McDuffie Way"

WHEREAS, Judge Mildred Weathers McDuffie graduated from Booker T. Washington High School, Allen University and South Carolina State University; and,

WHEREAS, Judge McDuffie has dedicated her life to serving others in her community and church and has been a leader in promoting human rights and social justice; and,

WHEREAS, Judge McDuffie worked with Richland County School District One for thirty-four years as a teacher and district administrator, inspiring students to learn and grow into responsible, successful citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Judge McDuffie served a term on Richland County Council and upon retirement from the school district was appointed as a summary court judge; and,

WHEREAS, Judge McDuffie served on the National Association of Commissions for Women, the Columbia Cooperative Ministry, the South Carolina Christian Action Council's Literacy Task Force, the South Carolina Coalition for Alcohol Safety and Safe Communities, and the Mental Health Association; and,

WHEREAS, Judge McDuffie has been certified through many national organizations, is a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the National Judges Association, numerous other social and professional organizations; and,

WHEREAS, Judge McDuffie is a committed member of Bethel AME Church, serves as president of the Women's Missionary Society and chairs the Accreditation Committee of the Bethel Learning Center and Academy, and,

WHEREAS, Judge McDuffie received the St. Luke Episcopal Church's Outstanding Service Award, the Allen University Service Award, the National Youth Sports Program Services Award, and the Columbia Urban League's Whitney M. Young, Jr., Award in recognition of her leadership as a human rights and social justice advocate. She was also named one of the 10 Most Outstanding Women in Columbia; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED this 20th day of March, 2018, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbia hereby approve the honorary naming of the 600, 700, 800, 900 and 1000 blocks of King Street between Millwood Avenue and Blossom Street "Judge Mildred McDuffie Way". The design and color of the honorary toppers shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works.

Requested by:

Councilmember Devine

Approved by:

City Manager Oct

Approved as to form:

City Attorney Introduced: 3/20/2018 Final Reading: 3/20/2018 Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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