



WHEREAS, Catherine and Haywood, who were largely self-educated people without a formal high school education between them, raised three successful children together: Dr. Greg Carr of Silver Spring, Maryland, past Chair of Afro-American Studies at Howard University; Rev. jeff obafemi carr of Nashville, Tennessee, Founder and Chief Spiritual Officer of The Infinity Fellowship Interfaith Gathering; and Gussie Carr Fuller of Missouri City, Texas, Partner in Paris Carr Enterprises, and

WHEREAS, Catherine Carr became a pillar among Sainted Elders in the Kayne Avenue Church family and served the church on the Missionary, Senior, and Mass Choirs, the Mothers' Board, and represented the church in the Stones River District Association, The Sunday School Publishing Board Choir, and several National Baptist Conventions; and

WHEREAS, Carr was surrounded by a tight-knit community of friends and family, serving as a proud member of the Sunnyside Community Citizens Neighborhood Organization for decades, and Parent Teacher Associations for every school her three children attended as they matriculated through Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Carr home became a way station, sanctuary, confessional, and ritual destination for students from Tennessee State University, Fisk University, Austin Peay State University, The Ohio State University, Temple University, Meharry Medical College, Howard University, and many other institutions; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1990s, Carr was named one of five Queen Mothers of Nashville alongside Mother Burnece Walker Brunson, Zulee Ursery, Dorothy Gentry Smith, and Melba Sewell; and

WHEREAS, Carr joined fellow Queen Mothers from across the country and beyond and became an honored elder of The Association for The Study of Classical African Civilizations, and a trusted counselor and confidant for young people, business leaders, married couples, and families; and

WHEREAS, Queen Mother Catherine Hayes Carr was known for her life's mission of serving others and preparing, educating, and supporting future generations; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council honors and remembers the life and generosity of Queen Mother Catherine Hayes Carr.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. The Metropolitan Council hereby goes on record as honoring the life of Queen Mother Catherine Hayes Carr.

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.