



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution recognizing the 35th anniversary of Woodcuts Gallery and Framing.

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2022, Woodcuts Gallery and Framing celebrated the 35th anniversary of their business; and

WHEREAS, owner Nathaniel Harris opened Woodcuts Gallery and Framing on September 18, 1987; and

WHEREAS, Harris leased a building from Fisk University and spent five months renovating the dilapidated property; and

WHEREAS, Woodcuts Gallery and Framing is located on Jefferson Street in the heart of North Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel Harris is a founding member of the Jefferson Street United Merchants Partnership (J.U.M.P.) and was instrumental in revitalizing the historic Jefferson Street corridor; and

WHEREAS, shortly after opening, Woodcuts was named "Business of the Year" in 1987, and went on to be featured in Décor Magazine in the early 90s; and

WHEREAS, Nathaniel Harris has been committed to making a difference in the North Nashville community, and Woodcuts continues to serve as a ray of hope for aspiring entrepreneurs, youth, and college students; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Woodcuts has demonstrated its dedication to the community by participating in programs such as PENCIL, a program that helps the community invest in schools to bridge the resource gaps, provides adult role models for students, and exposure to workforce opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Woodcuts helped change the course of economic development on Jefferson Street and became a hub for artists including Ludie Amos, Michael McBride, Gregory Ridley, Jamaal Sheats, and James Threallkill; and

WHEREAS, the business served as an anchor location for the Jefferson Street Art Crawl from 2017-2019; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of its 35th anniversary, Woodcuts Gallery and Framing received a historical marker from the Metro Historical Commission recognizing its cultural significance in the North Nashville community; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council celebrates the 35th anniversary of Woodcuts Gallery and Framing and recognizes its history and contributions to the city of Nashville.

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

Section 1. That the Metropolitan Council hereby goes on record as recognizing the 35th anniversary of Woodcuts Gallery and Framing.

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.