



WHEREAS, having excelled in sports through his college days, Johnston officiated countless high school and youth football, baseball and softball teams through the years. His crowning sports achievement was coaching the 1994 World Series Girls Fastpitch Softball Champions, the Goodlettsville Belles; and

WHEREAS, Louie Johnston's greatest challenge, and his greatest success, came in founding and operating Layman Lessons Ministries. With no paid staff since its founding in 2001, Johnston created an organization that has brought over 8,770 homeless persons to God, fed and clothed over 20,000 of Nashville's homeless population, and currently operates in 24 states. Layman Lessons Ministries achieved GuideStar's Platinum rating and was named by two Nashville CPAs as being the Number ONE Charity in America in 2018, with over 99.8 percent of all donations and fundraising to feed and clothe the homeless community in Nashville going directly to that purpose; and

WHEREAS, Louie Johnston, the humanitarian, authored 62 books relating to God and Country, aided Constitutional Legislation in 28 States, produced 12 documentaries on the Homeless Crisis, and authored over 100 television programs on Behavioral Health issues within the homeless community; and

WHEREAS, Johnston's never-ending commitment to God, America and his fellow man have been apparent for decades in Nashville, his home, and the homeless community continues to mourn his loss. He will forever be remembered as a true Man of God, and a stalwart believer that ALL men, and women, are created equal and should be treated and loved accordingly; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council recognize, honor, and commend the life and undying giving of Louie Johnston Jr. to the people of Nashville, the State of Tennessee and the United States of America.

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 Louie Johnston Jr. for his unrelentless commitment to the betterment of Nashville, Tennessee and America through his self-less service to the homeless, love of God, and respect of the Constitution of the United States as a guiding doctrine for each of us equally.

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.