RESOLUTION NO. _____, SERIES 2021

A RESOLUTION HONORING MR. MCDANIEL BLUITT BY DEDICATING THE CORNER OF 44TH STREET AND WEST BROADWAY TO BE NAMED "MCDANIEL BLUITT WAY" IN HIS HONOR.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER JESSICA GREEN

WHEREAS, Mr. Bluitt, a native of Cosby, Texas, his wife Mrs. Mamie Bluitt, and their seven children, have lived in Louisville, KY, for over 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bluitt completed his Bachelor of Music Education degree at the University of Louisville School of Music and received a Masters degree in counseling from Western Kentucky University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bluitt toured the United States and Canada as a bandleader and performer with Motown Records; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bluitt taught vocal and instrumental music education for 28 years before retiring from Jefferson County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, McDaniel Bluitt will long be remembered for his crowning achievement: the West Louisville Performing Arts Academy, forming known as the Moor Temple Boys Choir, a choral tradition in the community for nearly 30 years; and

WHEREAS, the original choir grew under the Bluitt's leadership from the original boys' choir to the West Louisville Boys Choir, then the addition of a girls' choir, instrument performance education, summer camps, and youth empowerment and education programs all of which today comprises the West Louisville Performing Arts Academy; and

WHEREAS, the West Louisville Performing Arts Academy has performed throughout the community, at national events, and in England; and

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WHEREAS, the Academy continues to press toward excellence in education and youth empowerment through music education and the performing arts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: McDaniel Bluitt's service and dedication to Louisville Metro Government is hereby recognized with the placement of an honorary street sign on the corner of 44th Street and West Broadway to be designated as "McDaniel Bluitt Way".

SECTION II: The Department of Public Works is hereby directed to move forward

with the fabrication and installation of the honorary street sign upon the passage of this

Resolution and the receipt of funds to cover the expense.

SECTION III: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

Sonya Harward Metro Council Clerk David James President of the Council

Greg Fischer Mayor Approval Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY: Michael J. O'Connell Jefferson County Attorney

By: _____

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