CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 13-0101R (Resolution)

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A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

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Celebrating the Life of Jennifer Nicole Conyers

FOR the purpose of celebrating the life of Jennifer Nicole Conyers, a proud Baltimorean and true
 blessing to her family and community, who was tragically taken from us far too soon.

Recitals

5 Jennifer Nicole Conyers was born on April 1, 1980 in Baltimore, Maryland. She came into 6 this world with clenched fists and was a fighter throughout life. She would always define her 7 goals and then go after them.

8 The daughter of Harry Anthony, a Baltimore Detention Center case manager, and Alverta 9 Elzine Moore Conyers, a retired Baltimore Sun copy editor, Jennifer was educated in the 10 Baltimore City Public School System and was proud to be a graduate of the 1998 class of 11 Western High School. She earned her bachelor's degree in psychology at Coppin State University 12 in 2002 and went on to get her Master's at the University of Baltimore in 2006.

Ms. Convers began her career working at Associated Black Charities, which administered the
 city's share of funds from the federal Ryan White Care Act that provided care for low-income
 and uninsured people infected with AIDS.

The program was later taken over by the Baltimore City Health Department, where Ms.
 Conyers, a research analyst, had worked since 2008 in the Bureau of HIV Services.

Jennifer was a young lady of many talents and interests. A skilled jewelry maker, she crafted
 pieces that caught the eye of family members and coworkers – and often sold her jewelry at the
 annual Christmas bazaar at her church, Sharp Street Memorial United Methodist Church.

- 21 She also owned a Yudu screen printer, which allowed her to design screen prints that she 22 used to adorn T-shirts, shawls and hooded sweatshirts.
- Ms. Convers relished her role as family photographer, and relatives eagerly awaited her annual 12 Days of Christmas photo gifts.
- A music lover, she enjoyed attending performances of The Stepbrothers, a Baltimore pop music group of which her uncle, David Moore, was a member. She could often be found taking video and pictures of the group's various performances, because she wanted to support her uncle and his fellow performers.

EXPLANATION: <u>Underlining</u> indicates matter added by amendment. Strike out indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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- Jennifer had a wonderful relationship with her family and was especially close to her parents
 even purchasing a home just six blocks away from her family home.
- Jennifer was the youngest in the line of 19 cousins, and was the last undergraduate to shake
 the hand of Coppin's outgoing president, Dr. Calvin W. Burnett, in 2002.
- 5 She leaves to mourn her parents, Harry and Alverta Conyers, her godparents, Ann Drake 6 and Cleveland Conyers, and a host of relatives, friends, coworkers and loved ones.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the
 Council joins her family, and all who were lucky enough to have known her, in celebrating the
 life of Jennifer Nicole Conyers, a proud Baltimorean and true blessing to her family and
 community, who was tragically taken from us far too soon.
- 11 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Health 12 Commissioner, the Mayor, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.