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Introductory*

City of Baltimore Council Bill R (Resolution)

Introduced by: President Scott

A Resolution Entitled

A Council Resolution concerning **Honoring Former Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro III**

For the purpose of paying tribute to the life of Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro III and expressing appreciation for the many contributions he made to Baltimore City and for his many years of extraordinary service to the citizens of Baltimore.

Recitals

The motto of Loyola University Maryland is "Strong Truths Well Lived." That motto could also be used to describe one of the University's most distinguished alumni and Baltimore's 43rd mayor, Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro III, who passed away on October 20 at the age of 90.

Former Mayor D'Alesandro was a courageous man with impeccable integrity who led the City of Baltimore from 1967 to 1971, one of the City's most tumultuous times. Despite those times, under Mayor D'Alesandro's leadership, the City prioritized building schools in underserved areas and expanding opportunities for all City youth.

Even before he became Mayor, through his leadership as City Council President, he championed Baltimore's first anti-discrimination laws. He believed to his core that the only way Baltimore could succeed as a City was if opportunity was available to all, not just a select few. Indeed, by working tirelessly to eliminate barriers within City government and the City itself, his legacy is a stronger, fairer, and more equitable Baltimore.

There is no doubt that Mayor D'Alesandro's impact on Baltimore, both as a City and as a municipal government, will reverberate for years to come. He has left Baltimore a better place and was the true embodiment of "Strong Truths Well Lived."

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That the Council pays tribute to the life of Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro III and expresses appreciation for the many contributions he made to Baltimore City and for his many years of extraordinary service to the citizens of Baltimore.

And be it further resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the D'Alesandro family, the Mayor,

and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.