

RESOLUTION 14 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILWOMAN TABATHA TAYLOR

WHEREAS, Booker T. Washington High School in Shreveport opened on January 23, 1950, on a 33 acres campus in the Lakeside/Allendale Community. The new school building situated within a thriving African-American neighborhood immediately became a community icon and demonstrated that place matters; and

WHEREAS, Booker T. Washington offered basic high school and college prep academic courses in english, literature, music, social science, health, general science, biology, algebra, geometry, chemistry and physical education as well as numerous vocational courses; and

WHEREAS, numerous graduates of Booker T. Washington High School have become prominent educators, doctors, lawyers, politicians, business professionals, writers and many have become prominent in other crafts and professions; and

WHEREAS, because of the dedication and competencies of the school's principals, teachers and staff since 1950 and the contribution that its students have made to this state and nation, in 2015 Booker T. Washington High School distinguished heritage and tradition qualified it to be registered in the National Register of Historic Places.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due regular and legal session convened, that the Shreveport City Council recognizes the 75th Anniversary of Booker T. Washington High School and the many contributions that its faculty and students have made to the state and nation during those 75 years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office