



Councilmember Charles Allen

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To recognize and honor Two Rivers Public Charter School on the occasion of its 20th anniversary.

WHEREAS, September 7th, 2024, marks a significant milestone for Two Rivers Public Charter School (“Two Rivers”), as Two Rivers proudly celebrates two decades of unwavering commitment to educational excellence since receiving its charter and opening its doors;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers was imagined, workshopped, and founded by more than three dozen parents and educators from the Capitol Hill neighborhood in 2004;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers set a precedent as the second EL Education school in the District;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers operates as a network of charter locations, catering to students from pre-kindergarten through 8th grade;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers distinguishes itself through its steadfast dedication to project-based and community-building focused educational frameworks;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers’ project-based learning uses a combination of expeditions, long-term and in-depth compelling studies lasting a semester, field studies, and students-community immersion projects, while integrating art to allow students to learn through the cultivation of curiosity;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers has ensured children’s success by adhering to its three dimensions of student achievement: mastery of knowledge and skills, character development, and high quality work;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers serves more than 1,000 students and their families in the Capitol Hill neighborhood and surrounding area, diligently preparing students for a successful future in high school, college, and beyond;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers remains steadfastly committed to its mission of nurturing diverse students to become lifelong learners, actively engaged in their educational journey, fostering a robust sense of self and community, and embodying the values of responsibility and compassion;

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WHEREAS, Two Rivers integrates Spanish Language acquisition seamlessly across its curriculum, thereby affording its students a valuable asset as they enter into higher education;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers is invested in art and allows its students to explore learning through both visual fine arts and the performing arts;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers' commitment to innovation and educational excellence has been globally recognized, with prestigious accolades such as being named among the top 100 innovators by the esteemed HundrED organization based in Finland;

WHEREAS, Two Rivers' dedication extends not only to the excellence of its students but also to the professional development and well-being of its faculty, exemplified through the establishment of the Two Rivers Learning Institute and the attainment of multiple Great Place to Work certificates; and

WHEREAS, the guiding ethos of Two Rivers, encapsulated in the motto, "We are crew, not passengers," instills within young District residents a proactive mindset, fostering a culture of active community engagement and empowerment.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the "Two Rivers Public Charter School 20th Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2024".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors Two Rivers Public Charter School on the occasion of its 20th anniversary.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.