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RESOLUTION NO. 23, 2012

CITY CLERK

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAYOR DUKE BENNETT AS THE EDUCATIONAL HERITAGE ASSOCIATION "DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI" AWARD RECIPIENT.

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2012, Mayor Duke Bennett will be honored by The Educational Heritage Association as its "Distinguished Alumni" award recipient; and

WHEREAS, this award is presented to an individual who is a graduate of the Vigo County School Corporation and has made significant contributions to the community or achieved notable successes; and

WHEREAS, Duke Bennett is a graduate of Meadows Elementary School, Woodrow Wilson Junior High School, and Terre Haute North Vigo High School – all Vigo County School Corporation schools located within the City of Terre Haute; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2008, Duke Bennett was elected to his first term as the Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2012, Duke Bennett was elected to serve a second term as Mayor, the first Terre Haute Mayor since 1990 to win a re-election campaign; and

WHEREAS, during Mayor Bennett's tenure, Terre Haute was named Indiana Chamber of Commerce's 2010 Community of the Year; and

WHEREAS, striving to identify ways to make Terre Haute a better community, Mayor Bennett actively serves on several boards, including, but not limited to the Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce, Indiana Association of Cities & Towns Board, West Central Indiana Economic Development District Board of Directors, Swope Art Museum Board of Overseers, Wabash Valley Correctional Facility 2012 Community Advisory Board, and Vice Chair of the West Central Indiana Economic Development District Transportation Policy Committee.

THEREFORE, in recognition of Mayor Bennett's contributions to Terre Haute as a graduate of the Vigo County School Corporation, the Common Council for the City of Terre Haute hereby honors Mayor Duke Bennett as The Educational Heritage Association Distinguished Alumni.

Introduced by: Robert All Robert All, Councilman

Passed in open Council this 11th day of October, 2012.

Don Morris Don Morris, President

ATTEST: Charles P. Hanley Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

Presented by me to the Mayor this 12th day of October, 2012.

Charles P. Hanley Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

Approved by me, the Mayor, this 12th day of OCTOBER, 2012.

Duke A. Bennett Duke A. Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST: Charles P. Hanley Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk