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RESOLUTION NO. 240439

Recognizing the Historic West Bottoms Association for its work and dedication to the historic area and region, and in celebration of 10 years of activities and events drawing attention and attracting visitors to the West Bottoms.

WHEREAS, the area known as the West Bottoms significantly contributes to the historic makeup and character of Kansas City and serves as a commercial-industrial district connecting the communities of the greater Kansas City metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS the history and development of the West Bottoms is unique and began with trading among Native Americans and the French, and it is centrally located and has been essential to the growth and development of the entire bi-state region; and

WHEREAS, the Historic West Bottoms Association has partnered with many organizations and businesses for over 60 events since Heritage Days' beginning in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Historic West Bottoms Association, originally known as the Central Industrial District Association, is celebrating its 100th year of serving the district and Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, the Historic West Bottoms Association continues to partner with organizations like Taste of Asian American Pacific Islands, Strawberry Swing, West Bottoms Bikes, The Oliver Building, Ox Cafe and Bakery, the Latino Arts Foundation, the Urban Core Group, The Ship/All Else the Sea, the Wilbur Niewald Plein Air painting event, PortKC, Kissick Construction, and the Neighborhood Tourism Development Fund to host and coordinate the West Bottoms Heritage Days; and

WHEREAS, this annual celebration will highlight the progress and potential of the West Bottoms both as a historic district and as a commercial-industrial district; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Heritage Days is to remind residents of the region's events, traditions, challenges, and potential, and introduce the evolving area to residents and tourists; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby recognize the Historic West Bottoms Association for its work and dedication to the historic area and region and celebrate 10 years of activities and events; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that a copy hereof be presented to the Historic West Bottoms Association with the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for its dedication to our community.

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Quinton, Mayor

  
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Marilyn Sanders, City Clerk

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