In Honor Of Beverly "Squeeze" Ferguson on the occasion of her retirement

WHEREAS, Ms. Beverly "Squeeze" Ferguson's dedicated service, faith, and her amazing vocal talents helped revolutionize the musical praise at The Perfecting Church for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ferguson's prodigious musical talents were honed in New Jersey, where she worked alongside the renowned Ms. Cissy Houston at New Hope Baptist Church as Assistant Director of the Radio Choir, traveling nationally and worldwide to share her melodious voice with audiences; and

WHEREAS, since arriving at The Perfecting Church in 1993, Ms. Ferguson left an indelible mark, serving first as a clerk, then Membership Auxiliary Coordinator, teaching the Leadership Class, and helping to grow the Joyful Noise Choir from a 51-voice ensemble to a powerful 174-voice choir; finally

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councilmember Mary Waters, At-Large and the entire Detroit City Council honor the contributions of Ms. Beverly "Squeeze" Ferguson to The Perfecting Church and the Great City of Detroit on the occasion of her retirement.