

RESOLUTION NO. ____ OF 2022

A RESOLUTION TO HONOR WOODY'S HOME FOR VETERANS FOR THE ASSISTANCE THEY PROVIDE TO VETERANS AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

**BY: COUNCILMEMBERS LEVETTE FULLER AND
 GRAYSON BOUCHER**

WHEREAS, Woody's Home for Veterans was founded in 2003 by Ronald Key in honor of his father, Harold Woodrow "Woody" Key, a World War II veteran, and other fellow American veterans like his Dad.

WHEREAS, Woody's was founded to provide stable transitional or long-term housing for veterans with mental illnesses such as PTSD and depression, all of Woody's residents have a diagnosed mental illness; and

WHEREAS, Woody's residents came back from their time of service with deep wounds not necessarily visible to the naked eye, conditions such as PTSD and depression, both brought about by the horrors of combat, can be devastating and permanently alter a person's life; and

WHEREAS, Woody's provides a home and safe haven for veterans where they can interact with one another, feel safe, and continue to receive the care they need and deserve; and

WHEREAS, Woody's provides everything to the veterans from underwear to toilet paper to suits, in addition, they distribute medicine to the veterans and take them to appointments at the VA; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Woody's opened the doors to their second home and remain 90% full; and

WHEREAS, Woody's goal is to assist as many veterans suffering from mental health issues as possible and give them a place to call home.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, acting in due, regular, and legal session convened, that the City Council hereby honors Woody's Home for Veterans for the assistance they provide to veterans and their contributions to the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals with one original presented to Woody's Home for Veterans and the other resolution filed in perpetuity in the office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office