



BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION B2302137

February 2, 2023

Honoring Second Baptist Church

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN approves the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2022, the entire County of Berrien experienced a blizzard of historic magnitude that brought wind chill values to dangerous levels, made travel extremely hazardous or impossible in some areas, and tested the limits of our utility infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, during that weather event, the City of Benton Harbor experienced a city wide power outage; and

WHEREAS, the City of Benton Harbor Public Safety Department and Mayor Marcus Muhammad, asked for assistance to provide a warm place for residents of River Terrace Apartments, with approximately hundreds in need; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Kenneth Eric Robinson and the Second Baptist Church at 600 Donald Adkins Drive answered the call for assistance by opening their doors within an hour of being notified; and

WHEREAS, from 8:00 p.m. on the 23rd until about 4:00 a.m. Christmas Eve, Pastor Robinson provided warmth, comfort, and meals to the approximately 35 people who were able to be transported to the Church until power was restored; and

WHEREAS, Mother Teresa said, "Love cannot remain by itself - it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action and that action is service"; and

WHEREAS, the actions of Pastor Kenneth Eric Robinson and the Church during that winter storm event are the epitome of community service.

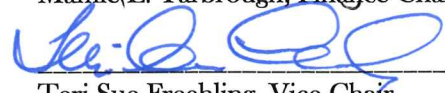
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that this Berrien County Board of Commissioners formally honors Pastor Kenneth Eric Robinson and the congregation of the Second Baptist Church for their acts of kindness and service to assist the residents of the City of Benton Harbor during the December 2022 winter storm and appreciates them opening their Church to take in those in need.

Respectfully submitted,
BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

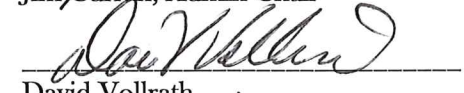

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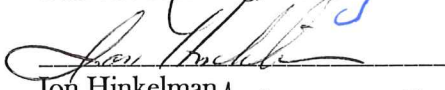

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