

RESOLUTION NO. 030040

In memory of Mildred M. Carter who passed away January 3, 2003.

WHEREAS, Mildred M. Carter passed away on Friday, January 3, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carter was born on June 21, 1913 in Pine Bluff Arkansas, was raised in Kansas City and moved to Cocoa Beach, Florida in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carter was a true pioneer in the broadcast field and an important role model for women. She attended Henderson Business College in Memphis, Tennessee, Northwestern University School of Business studying commercial law, accounting and journalism and Rockhurst College in Kansas City studying industrial relations and accounting; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carter's husband, Andrew "Skip" Carter, founded KPRS, the nation's oldest existing African American owned radio station in America. Today KPRS-FM "HOT 103 JAMZ" is a top rated radio station in Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carter has been honored by the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters with the Pioneer of Broadcasting Award, the Impact Magazine Woman of the Year Award, Living Legends Award, and the American Women in Broadcast Award for ownership of the oldest African American owned radio broadcast company; and

WHEREAS, after her husband's death in 1988, Mrs. Carter took full responsibility as Chairman of the Board and remained actively involved in the corporate planning and daily operations of the historic radio company; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby express their profound sorrow on the death of Mildred M. Carter; 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 family in token of genuine esteem and respect in which Mildred M. Carter was held, and in token of the deep and sincere sympathy hereby extended to the bereaved family.
