

**RESOLUTION OF RESPECT
FOR
DR. EDWARD BEASLEY, JR.**

Whereas God, our loving Father, in the light of His wisdom, and in the magnitude of his power, has removed from our profession and from our Chain of Friendship, a shining link in the name of our dearest **Dr. Edward Beasley, Jr.**, and added it to the Friendship Chain of His Kingdom, and

Whereas, **Dr. Edward Beasley, Jr.**, served for twenty-five years as a professor at Penn Valley Community College, and for decades empowered this nation by encouraging students to research and study history, and by supporting several historical associations, and

Whereas **Dr. Edward Beasley, Jr.**, established black history programs, developed a Black Trivia game, served as a consultant to several organizations, narrated a black history television and radio series, and received numerous honors and awards, and

Whereas, **Dr. Edward Beasley, Jr.**, former president of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) whose departure we so deeply felt and whose life has been an example of Christian fortitude to his family, his friends, and his colleagues throughout this nation, and

Whereas, the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, the history profession, the city of Kansas City, MO, and people throughout this nation have sustained a great loss in the home going of **Dr. Edward Beasley, Jr.**, therefore be it

Resolved, that we eulogize his memory by bringing into our own lives that professionalism, coupled with commitment, power, and great joy, that made his life a worthy pattern for our emulation, and that we earnestly try to live as unselfishly as did **Dr. Edward Beasley**, and be it further

Resolved, that the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), express its sincere sympathy to the family of **Dr. Edward Beasley, Jr.**, that we place a copy of this resolution in the permanent archives of ASALH, and that we also send a copy of this resolution to the members of **Dr. Edward Beasley, Jr.'s** family, and to the Kansas Historical Society in order to show to his loved ones the high esteem in which we hold his life and his memory.

“We today, stand on the shoulders of our predecessors who have gone before us. We, as their successors, must catch the torch of freedom and liberty passed on to us by our ancestors. We cannot lose in this battle.” Benjamin E. Mays, “I Knew Carter G. Woodson.” *Negro History Bulletin*, March 1981, p. 21.

Respectfully submitted,
The Officers & Members of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History
Dr. Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham, President

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