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 WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. was born and raised on the East Side of

 Sponsor:
 Wilmington; and

Council Member Darby

WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. received his early childhood education in the public schools in the City of Wilmington where he attended Bancroft Elementary School and Howard High School; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. after graduation from high school enrolled in Delaware State University where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education in 1965 and a Master's Degree in Educational Administration in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. has a distinguished career as a teacher and educational administrator which includes the Cecil County School District, the Elbert School in Wilmington and Community School Director at Bancroft; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. served as Vice-Principal and Principal at Bancroft School for forty years; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. developed and initiated multicultural programs while serving as Principal of Bancroft which earned him the National Distinguished Principal 1994-1995 Award presented by the United States Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. received the Christina Cultural Arts Center's Lifetime Achievement Award and the 100 African American Men of Distinction in Delaware Award; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Pritchett, Sr. continues to serve the community through the Maurice Pritchett Education Foundation which focuses on the issues related to underprivileged children in Delaware.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF WILMINGTON that the Wilmington City Council requests that the State of Delaware and the Christina School District honor Maurice Pritchett, Sr., a principal who served for more than forty years at Bancroft, by changing the name of Bancroft Elementary School to Maurice Pritchett, Sr. Elementary School.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST:

City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution requests the Christina School District and the State of Delaware honor Maurice Pritchett, Sr., by changing the name of Bancroft Elementary School to Maurice Pritchett, Sr. Elementary School.