

# PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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## University Resolution

*"Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise, for it was grace that brought my liberty."*

~Londonderry, Irish Traditional Melody

**Whereas**, Mr. William Michael Melton, best known as either "Michael" or "Mike," was the only child born to the union of Ada Louise Evans Melton and William Robert Melton, II of Tuskegee, Alabama. As the grandson of Dr. Edward B. Evans, former Principal and later the first President of Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, it was no surprise Michael would become a distinguished 1967 alumnus of Prairie View A&M University, earning a bachelor's degree in education; and

**Whereas**, Melton accepted his first teaching assignment at La Marque High School where he taught both History and English. He later returned to Los Angeles where he joined the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD); and

**Whereas**, Michael Melton's dedication to LAUSD, led to the acceptance of an assistant principal position followed by an appointment as Senior Administrator for the entire school district, the position from which he retired after more than 40 years of service; and

**Whereas**, William Michael Melton was a standard bearer in education for he not only taught but mentored his students guiding them to success on both the high school and collegiate level.

**Now, Be It Resolved** that Mike Melton was a man of many talents and interests, a renaissance man, an innovator, a gifted educator, and a great supporter of worthwhile societal initiatives. Michael became a treasured member of his beloved Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated and had a tremendous positive impact on young people; and

**Be It Also Resolved** that Mike Melton was a dignified man who exemplified honesty and integrity. His life embodies the Panther motto, "Prairie View Produces Productive People."; and

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Prairie View A&M University administration, faculty, staff, students, and alumni express our deepest condolences to the family of William Michael Melton. His legacy of personal and professional excellence shall never be forgotten. This resolution will be presented to his family, and a copy will be permanently placed in the Prairie View A&M University archives.

Dated and signed this twenty-sixth day of April 2019 at Prairie View A&M University,  
Located in Prairie View, Texas, and Waller County.



Ruth J. Simmons  
President

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