

RESOLUTION NO. 14-165

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that Reverend Dr. Jamal-Harrison Bryant of Baltimore, Maryland, will serve as the keynote speaker at Prophet to the Nations, RISE Conference, to be held on March 14, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at Eagles' Nest Ministries in Huntsville, Alabama; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryant will be imparting and empowering the people of Huntsville for the third time over the span of nine years. The presentation of Dr. Bryant's gifts and talents will further educate and equip citizens of Huntsville to RISE above their circumstances and live to their maximum capacity; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryant is the founder of Empowerment Temple, the fastest-growing African Methodist Episcopal (AME) church in the history of the denomination. The church started with just 43 members and in its first seven years has reached over 10,000 in membership. It embodies the two hardest groups to attract; young adults between the ages of 18-40 and African American men. Empowerment Temple is a ministry focused on empowering believer's spirituality, developing them educationally, exposing them culturally, activating them politically, and strengthening them economically; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryant's church has now registered more voters than any other church in the city of Baltimore, in order to empower followers politically. He has championed many issues and corrected politicians that have lost focus; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryant believes the entire community should be empowered in every aspect of life. He has opened an elementary school and adult learning facility to empower through education. Economically, he teaches every member to be creditworthy by having a clean credit record, along with the tools to become entrepreneurs. He is also moving to open a chain of black owned and operated gas stations called Power Gas; and,

WHEREAS, radical, revolutionary, innovative, outspoken, anointed, and cutting-edge are some of the ways Dr. Bryant has been described.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, do hereby recognize and gratefully acknowledge Reverend Dr. Jamal-Harrison Bryant for his magnanimous achievements and empowerment of God's people. May every success be yours in all future endeavors.

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ADOPTED this the 13th day of March, 2014.

President of the City Council of
the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 13th day of March, 2014.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

