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Bermuda Union of Teachers 100th Anniversary

1 FEBRUARY 2019

WHEREAS

It is chronicled in history, that on February 1, 1919 Rev. Rufus Stovell, Miss Adele Tucker, Miss Edith and Miss Matilda Crawford, stood in solidarity at a graveside.

WHEREAS

The deliberations of these Founding Fathers compelled them to chart a course of unity, strength and purpose for the benefit of Bermuda's educators and the students they serve.

WHEREAS

These Visionary Educators thereby sparked the Flame of trade unionism in Bermuda.

WHEREAS

Many Great Educators have served our island and her students with humility, purpose, love and passion, with an unwavering belief in the possibility of Bermuda and its people.

WHEREAS

Educators have held true to the pact of the Founding Fathers of 1919 and pressed always for Fair treatment, Fair compensation and working conditions that empower them to better serve students.

WHEREAS

MANY GREAT LEADERS HAVE SERVED THE BERMUDA UNION OF TEACHERS AND ITS CAUSE AS MEMBERS, AS PRESIDENTS, AS ORGANIZERS AND AS GENERAL SECRETARIES.

WHEREAS

The Proud Educators of Bermuda have stood in solidarity, honouring with duty their motto, Education for Responsibility, for the full measure of a Century.

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Government of Bermuda and the people of Bermuda, today honour and celebrate the Founding Fathers of the Bermuda Union of Teachers for their vision, their resolve, and their immeasurable contribution to the development of Bermuda's society.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED

That the Government of Bermuda and the people of Bermuda today honour and celebrate all members of the Bermuda Union of Teachers members past, members present and those members who will dare to serve, for their vision, their resolve and their immeasurable contribution to the development of Bermuda's society.

THEREFORE,

It is with distinct pride, that I stand today in solidarity with the men and women of the Bermuda Union of Teachers to celebrate the legacy of a Century of service to Bermuda's Educators, Bermuda's children and indeed Bermuda's people.

ON BEHALF OF

The Government and people of Bermuda I proclaim this day, Friday, the first day of February in the year two thousand and nineteen as the 100th Anniversary of the Bermuda Union of Teachers.

The Hon. Walter Roban, JP, MP

Deputy Premier and Minister of Home Affairs