CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION 2010-31 RECOGNIZING PAT LOVELESS AS THE "TAKOMA PARK PEACE DELEGATE"

- WHEREAS, Mr. Pat Loveless was born on May 20, 1955 in Malden, Massachusetts; and
- WHEREAS, he moved to the Franklin Apartments in Takoma Park in 1996, and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Loveless has been active in the civil rights, peace, and antinuclear movements since 1982, participating in events such as a 1982 march for disarmament from Maine to New York City, several marches from New York to Washington, D.C. calling for nuclear disarmament, and a 1986 march from Richmond, Virginia to Washington, D.C. in protest against Euro-missiles; and
- WHEREAS, in 1987, he participated in the "March Against Fear and Intimidation" in Forsyth County, Georgia, where he was physically assaulted and received serious injuries that had lifelong effects on his health; and
- WHEREAS, despite his waning health, he has continued his activism by attending marches, rallies, vigils and demonstrations, where he carries a large peace sign; and
- WHEREAS, he has attended most Takoma Park City Council meetings since 2003, where he often speaks in support of peace initiatives and against the death penalty; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Loveless uses every opportunity to urge all eligible residents of Takoma Park to become registered voters, especially young people approaching voting age; and
- WHEREAS, he encourages youth involvement in local civic affairs; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Loveless strives to set a good example for children in hope that they will continue the peace efforts that have been so important in his life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Takoma Park recognizes Pat Loveless for his efforts in support of peace and justice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in recognition of these efforts, Pat Loveless is hereby named the "Takoma Park Peace Delegate."

Adopted this 17th day of May, 2010

Attest: