

## Resolution of the Veterans of the Mississippi Civil Rights Movement, Inc. Honoring Mr. Eddie Charles Brown, Jr. of Atlanta, Georgia also known as Ed Brown

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*Whereas,* Mr. Ed Brown, a native of Louisiana, spent his early years in Baton Rouge and attended Southern University Laboratory School and an undergraduate for at the University for two years.

Whereas, Mr. Ed Brown, being expelled in 1960 as a student radical and sought acceptance at many universities, finally being accepted at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

*Whereas,* Mr. Ed Brown continued his political activism at Howard University becoming involved with the Non-Violent Action Group (NAG) on the Howard University Campus.

*Whereas,* Mr. Ed Brown was advised to leave Howard University and get an education he then became politically active in the Washington, D.C. area and became involved in desegregation efforts.

Whereas, Mr. Ed Brown joined the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in Jackson, Mississippi and was soon sent to Milestone, Mississippi in Holmes County, Mississippi to be the Project Director of the Freedom Democrat Party (FDP) in Holmes County, Mississippi.

Whereas, Mr. Ed Brown in 1964 went to the Democratic Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey with the Freedom Democrat Party delegation in an effort to unseat the all-white Democratic Party delegation from the state of Mississippi.

*Whereas,* Mr. Ed Brown returned to Mississippi in 1968 and organized the Mississippi Action for Community Education (MACE) in nine counties with a grant from the Ford Crusade Against Poverty.

*Whereas,* under the direction of Mr. Ed. Brown, MACE and the Delta Ministry combined to form the Delta Foundation for the purpose of creating businesses and inspiring economic development in Mississippi.

*Whereas,* Mr. Ed Brown continued his activism by inspiring and assisting local groups to become involved in their communities and offered his services as a consultant.

**Now,** be it therefore resolved that the Members and the Board of Directors of the Veterans of the Mississippi Civil Rights Movement, Inc. do hereby acknowledge and commend Mr. Eddie Charles Brown, Jr. for his years of meritorious service in the Civil Rights Movement in the state of Mississippi; and for his untiring efforts to improve the quality of life for poor people in the Mississippi Delta.

Given this day, Monday, November 28, 2011.

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