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**WHEREAS**, Attorney Barry Frager is intimately aware of Memphis' "tapestry of international cultures" through his work with the local immigrant community as owner and senior attorney of the Frager Law Firm; and

**WHEREAS**, a former employee of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, Barry moved to Memphis in 1994 and since opening his own firm in 1995, has represented immigrants that have fled their country to secure a better future or to avoid violence and certain danger, and are in jeopardy of deportation; and

**WHEREAS**, Frager's long service to immigrants places him in the unique position of witnessing the trend of political asylum seekers who once sought refugee status from Middle Eastern, Eastern European or Central African nations to a growing number of persons fleeing the violence of Mexican drug cartels; and

**WHEREAS**, having the opportunity to lend an ear and to listen to the plight of those seeking his help is a role Barry relishes most in his job which also affords him the chance to develop firsthand insight into the past life and culture of those choosing America as their new home; and

**WHEREAS**, Frager and the seven attorneys and 15 staff members that he employs in Memphis, Nashville and Springdale, provide an indelible and arguably life-saving service to those new residents seeking to fulfill the promises guaranteed to American citizens and to access the religious, social, economic, political and cultural freedoms that natural-born citizens often take for granted; and

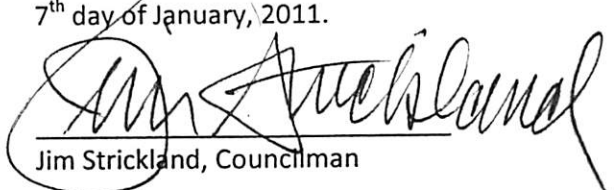
**WHEREAS**, regarded as an immigration expert, Barry serves as the national section chair of the Immigration Law section of the Federal Bar Association and he conducts annual continuing legal education programs to train other attorneys on immigration laws; and

**WHEREAS**, Barry Frager's in-depth knowledge and immersion into not only the law affecting immigrants, but his desire to gain an understanding of the individual is even prevalent during the holidays as office parties reflect the diversity of ethnic groups in Memphis through an exploration of cuisines around the world.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS CITY COUNCIL** that Barry Frager be applauded for the contributions he has made in this city and across the country championing the rights of our immigrant population and showcasing the best in humanity as a caring, compassionate and thoughtful leader.



Given by my hand and under the  
great seal of the City of Memphis  
7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011.

  
Jim Strickland, Councilman