

**City of New Castle**  
**Resolution No. 2017-24**  
**In Honor of**  
**Jerome H. Pinkett**

**WHEREAS**, the City of New Castle was deeply saddened by the death of one of its native sons, Jerome H. Pinkett, who passed away on Friday, June 9, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, Jerome Pinkett was born and raised in Buttonwood, New Castle, he was a member of Buttonwood United Methodist Church, and graduated from William Penn High School, Delaware State University and earned his Master's Degree from Glassboro State (Rowan) University; and

**WHEREAS**, Jerome Pinkett was an outstanding athlete. He played baseball for the Optimist Little League of Wilmington in its inaugural season; played football, basketball, baseball and ran track at William Penn High School, where he was also intramural wrestling champion; and held the long jump record for more than 20 years; he was named football MVP and Outstanding athlete in the class of 1957; and was Co-Captain of the Gold team for the 2nd annual Blue-Gold All-Star Football Game in 1957; and

**WHEREAS**, Jerome Pinkett was a teacher/guidance counselor at Howard High School from 1963-1969, at P.S. duPont High School from 1969-1978, and, later at Mt. Pleasant High School from 1978 until he retired in 1992; and

**WHEREAS**, Jerome Pinkett was a dedicated family man, active in his Marshallton community and loved attending his children's and grandchildren's activities. He coached the Marshallton Cub baseball team, where all of his children played, including his daughter; and

**WHEREAS**, Jerome Pinkett will be forever held in the hearts of his beloved family and friends.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of New Castle, Council desire to publicly acknowledge the accomplishments and legacy of **Jerome H. Pinkett** and direct this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of the July 11, 2017 Council meeting and a copy be forwarded to the family he so cherished.

**PASSED** this 11th day of July, 2017

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Linda Ratchford, City Council President

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John A. Di Mondì, Councilperson

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Valarie W. Leary, Councilperson

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Michael M. Platt, Councilperson

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Michael J. Quaranta, Councilperson

Attest:

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Brian G. Whitaker, City Clerk