

CR-1 Bradford Rundlett

Naming Bradford Rundlett as Rector Emeritus of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Herndon, VA

WHEREAS, Bradford Rundlett, a compassionate spiritual leader whose guiding influence had a tremendous impact throughout the Herndon community and the Commonwealth, retired as rector of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Herndon in August 2015; and

WHEREAS, Bradford "Brad" Rundlett began his career in ministry with the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Spartanburg, South Carolina, where he cultivated his reputation as a unifying leader and a humble servant to the community; he then served at St. James' Episcopal Church in Potomac, Maryland, and St. Andrew the Fisherman Episcopal Church in Mayo, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, after arriving at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in 1994, Brad Rundlett led efforts to renovate the church and revitalize the congregation; 20 years later, the church had expanded significantly and the congregation had been deeply strengthened; and

WHEREAS, Brad Rundlett lives his faith through his actions, and he developed a comprehensive mission program at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church; he supported the Hispanic community in Herndon first in the day laborer controversy of 2007 and then by forming a Spanish-speaking service that continues to this day; and

WHEREAS, Brad Rundlett has worked as a missionary in Appalachia, South Dakota, and Haiti, and under his leadership, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church conducted mission trips to Dungannon in Scott County, Chapoteau in Haiti, and Pine Ridge in South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, admired as a devoted mentor and a role model for those seeking a life in ministry, Brad Rundlett served as a field site supervisor and a colloquy mentor for Virginia Theological Seminary, and he has guided many young assistant rectors and seminarians, including those who have gone on to become ministers in other denominations; and

WHEREAS, believing firmly in the power of a strong, united community, Brad Rundlett hosted a monthly lunch with spiritual leaders from other denominations, and his efforts have fostered valuable interfaith dialogue among churches in the Herndon area; now therefore be it

WHEREAS, the vestry of St. Timothy's has unanimously voted to bestow upon him the title of RECTOR EMERITUS of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Diocese celebrate and honor the Reverend Brad Rundlett by hereby affirming his contributions to Timothy's Church, the Herndon community, and the Diocese of Virginia

Submitted by The Rev. Charles Cowherd, St. Timothy's, Herndon on behalf of the congregation of St. Timothy's.