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MEMORANDUM

TO: Thomas A. Golden, Jr., City Manager 

FROM: Yovani Baez-Rose, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director

CC: Stephen Stowell, Monument Committee Chair

SUBJECT: MOTION RESPONSE: 2/6/2024 – C. Mercier Req. That A Commemorative Plaque Be Dedicated And Placed On The 3rd Floor Wall, At The Entrance Of The Clock Tower In City Hall, In Honor Of Walter S. “Wally” Burns

Walter “Wally” S. Burns was employed by the City of Lowell for 40 years, retiring in 1995, as the custodian of City Hall. Mr. Burns was also the person responsible for winding the City Hall tower clock during that time, his work having been documented as part of the Lowell Folklife Project and featured at the 1988 American Festival of American Folklife by the Smithsonian Institution and the National Park Service in Washington DC. Mr. Burns was also a World War II Navy veteran.

The Monument Committee will formerly vote on the dedication at a future meeting and will continue working with the Burns family on an appropriate dedication plaque and event, in coordination with other City departments, during the upcoming year.

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