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I retired as a registered nurse in 2008 and my last nursing position was at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. In November, 2010 I relocated to Columbus, Ohio from New York City to live close to my family. I had never been to Columbus until the day I arrived here and it was a very pleasant surprise. In many ways it has more to offer its citizens than New York. Art and culture are abundant and diversified. Transportation is adequate. Services for seniors and people with disabilities seem to be fairly accessible despite room for improvement.

I stated that I retired, however, the early retirement resulted from disability which brings me to the reason I would like to join the Columbus Advisory Committee on Disability Issues. In my case, the disabilities are not visible, which causes particular difficulty, but I would like to work towards helping all persons with any type of disability. Since moving to Columbus I have noticed areas that, with some changes, could make this city safer, more accessible and offer greater independence for all of us. While the impact of these changes would be beneficial to those of us with challenges due to disabilities, I believe they would help everyone.

I will provide any additional information you may need.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to working with this committee.