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The Honorable Michael B. Coleman Mayor City of Columbus City Hall 90 W. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215 The Honorable Matt Habash President and Honorable Council Members Columbus City Council City Hall 90 W. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215

## Dear Mayor Coleman and Members of Council:

We, the members of the Short North SID, are writing to express our support of Ordinance 1640-2006, which will redirect funding, per our request, from the SID to cover the costs of restoring the LED color changeable lighting feature and up-lighting of the Short North Arches.

We have signed an agreement with the City to redirect this funding from other Short North SID projects because it is important to focus on the arches as a top priority for our neighborhood and the city. The SID has agreed to pay for these features with funds originally earmarked for other Short North SID projects. We acknowledge and agree that including color, changeability and uplighting will delay completion of the project from December 2006 until May 31, 2007.

The Short North SID appreciates the hard work and cooperation that is required to complete major civic projects, and we will continue to do all we can to make our unique neighborhood a premiere destination for residents, tourists and artists. Thank you for helping us work toward swift passage of this legislation by City Council. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Tim Wagner