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To recognize Columbus young professional Calvin Cooper as the recipient of the Create Columbus Commission's Visionary Award

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper attended Capital University where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Financial Economics; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper currently works as a director of the investment team at NCT Ventures, a Columbus-based venture capital firm that works to develop new software technology businesses, and previously served in an executive role at the Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council, where he oversaw the merger of two regional non-profits; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper founded the Minority Business Enterprises Academy in partnership with the City of Columbus to train minority entrepreneurs and develop minority businesses in Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper serves on the Board of Directors of i.c.stars Columbus, a group founded to identify, train, and jump-start technology careers for low-income young adults and to overcome barriers to education and support; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper is a member of the Nasdaq Entrepreneurial Center YEx Advisory Board in San Francisco, providing training and resources to educate, inspire, and build a bridge between Ohio entrepreneurs and national venture capital resources; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cooper serves on the Board of Directors of the Columbus Music Commission on the Strategy and Governance Committee, where he seeks to inspire and enhance the Columbus experience through stewardship of music culture in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the Create Columbus Commission has unanimously chosen to honor Mr. Cooper as an outstanding

Columbus young professional for his work with minority entrepreneurs and advancement of the culture of Columbus;
now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby recognize Calvin Cooper for receiving the Create Columbus Commission's Visionary Award.