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To honor and recognize Tom Griesdorn on the occasion of his retirement from WBNS-TV.

WHEREAS, after graduating from The Ohio State University, Tom Griesdorn began his career at Huntington Bank in Columbus before launching an impressive career in television that has included successful stops in Detroit, Chicago, and Cleveland; and

WHEREAS, in April of 1999, Tom Griesdorn returned to Columbus from Cleveland to serve as president and general manager of WBNS-TV; and

WHEREAS, under Tom's leadership, WBNS-TV adopted the "Central Ohio's News Leader" moniker and achieved ratings success while helping lead the market with the DTV transition and HD news broadcasts; and

WHEREAS, WBNS-TV continued to serve the community under Tom's watch, raising money and support for causes like disaster relief, hunger and food insecurity, homelessness, care for the elderly, Habitat for Humanity, Nationwide Children's Hospital, and community health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, Tom has served his community in numerous capacities, serving as chairman of the board for the Ohio Association of Broadcasters and as a board member of the United Way of Central Ohio, the North Market Development Authority, the Columbus Metropolitan Club, and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, Tom leaves a legacy of market leadership, respect, and civic responsibility, and his cool demeanor and competitive nature will long be remembered and recounted in the halls of WBNS-TV and across Central Ohio; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That this Council hereby honors and recognizes Tom Griesdorn for his successful career and many years of service to our

community, and wishes him a happy and productive retirement.