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To Recognize the Outstanding & Selfless Efforts of Rick Dillon.

**WHEREAS**, On July 28, 2015, in the late morning, a gas leak erupted at the corner of Hall Road and Cherry Bud Dr. on the west side of Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, Columbus Division of Police patrol officers responded along with the Columbus Division of Fire, Columbia Gas, and American Electrical Power; and

**WHEREAS**, Several houses needed to be evacuated due to the close proximity of the gas leak; and

**WHEREAS**, On this hot and humid day, numerous families and their pets were left to sit outside in yards after being evacuated from their homes and also faced the hardship of a thunderstorm pushing through the area, causing even more disorder; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick Dillon, a neighbor, who had not been evacuated, took the responsibility upon himself without hesitation to order pizza's for everyone, give everyone drinks, including the pets, and open his entire home to offer respite for all; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Dillon also extended this hospitality to Columbus Division of Police and Columbus Division of Fire personnel; now therefore,

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

Over the Course of the eight hours in which the incident lasted, Mr. Dillon provided his neighbors, Columbus Division of Fire, and Columbus Police officers with hospitality and generosity until it was safe for all to return to their homes. Mr. Dillon is hereby recognized as a "true citizen of Columbus" for his actions and kindness to his fellow neighbors.

