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To recognize and celebrate Trinity Baptist Church on its 90th anniversary.

WHEREAS, Trinity Baptist Church was first called Evergreen Baptist Church when it opened its doors, on May 5, 1924, at the corner of Naughten and 5th St; and

WHEREAS, the church quickly grew to a congregation of 50 members pastored by Rev. L. G. Green; and

WHEREAS, in January 1925, the church was renamed Trinity Baptist Church and continued to grow under the leadership of Rev. Green and Rev. Phillips; and

WHEREAS, in February 1927, Rev. N.L. Scarborough accepted the call to become pastor of Trinity; and

WHEREAS, on October 26, 1930, the congregation assembled, had devotion, and then marched to a new location, at 461 St. Clair Ave., where the church remains to this day; and

WHEREAS, Pastor E.A. Parham was called to Trinity to serve as a supply pastor before eventually accepting the call, in November 1949, to become the fourth pastor of Trinity Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, under Pastor Parham, Trinity Baptist Church became a pillar of the Columbus community, and the prison ministry he started became the first of its kind in the community; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 50 years, Pastor Parham was untiring in his dedication to the people of God, and could often be found helping those in need by not only providing Godly wisdom, but also by freely giving any resource that he had; and

WHEREAS, in August 1997, Pastor Victor M. Davis accepted the call to become the fifth pastor of Trinity Baptist Church and, during his tenure, the church helped to revitalize the neighborhood, updated its facilities, and established the Ragland Room and Madeline Parham Library in honor of two dedicated members of the church's congregation; and

WHEREAS, Trinity Baptist Church has a long history of mission work, and was the first church in Ohio to join the Lott

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Carey Foreign Missions Convention, which was founded in 1897 by African-American Baptists who were committed to a substantial foreign mission thrust - especially on the African continent; and

WHEREAS, the ministry of Trinity is diverse, and presently has several active ministries committed to the growth and ministry of maturing Christians; now therefore

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

That this Council celebrates and honors Trinity Baptist Church for its 90 years of service to the community.