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To recognize and celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday of James Hamilton Cocroft.

**WHEREAS**, James Cocroft was born October 28, 1935 in Kruger Mississippi, and moved to Columbus when he was 11 years old; and

**WHEREAS**, as a young man, Mr. Cocroft worked for the G.W. Holmes Company as a parts clerk and Cleveland Ignition Company as a manager; and

**WHEREAS**, after working for these two companies, James was inspired to start his own business which he has now owned for more than 42 years, Jim's Automotive Electric Service Company; and

**WHEREAS**, Jim's Automotive Electric Service Company has been located in the Milo-Grogan area of Columbus since its inception and James has employed scores of young men and women who were seeking to learn more about the automotive industry and earn a respectable living; and

**WHEREAS**, James served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church for over 30 years and is still a member of Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church and has been a member for more than 50 years; and

**WHEREAS**, James is an active member of the Milo Grogan Civic Association; and

**WHEREAS**, James sponsored a bowling team under his business's name through myriad Bowling Leagues including the Olympic 60's League; and

**WHEREAS**, James received a certificate of completion from a business management course offered through Capital University; and

**WHEREAS**, he has been married to Jean C. Cocroft for 49 years, is a father of five, grandfather of seven and great grandfather of seven; and

**WHEREAS**, James Hamilton Cocroft is a well-respected member of the community and is called upon for his practical and professional insight and wisdom; now and therefore

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

That this council does hereby recognize and celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday of James Hamilton Cocroft.