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To honor, recognize and thank Bessie M. Twyman for her many years of dedicated service to the City of Columbus on the occasion of her retirement, July 31, 2015.

WHEREAS, Bessie M. Twyman began her career with the City of Columbus on March 31, 1980 and is now retiring after 35 years of service to the residents of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, before working for the City of Columbus, Ms. Bessie worked for Battelle and still maintains relationships forged more than four decades ago; and

WHEREAS, in her service to Columbus City Council, Ms. Bessie has witnessed tremendous growth and change over the years, working with 4 different mayors and more than 36 different councilmembers; and

WHEREAS, in the midst of all the transitions that have occurred in Columbus, Ms. Bessie has remained a calm and steady force, providing exceptional service to taxpayers and wise counsel and patient, compassionate guidance to her peers and councilmembers alike; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bessie's commitment to service extends far beyond City Hall through her dedication to her faith community at Triedstone Missionary Baptist Church where she has been a member since 1975, is a retired Deaconess, taught Sunday school, led the Woman Be Blessed Ministry, marriage ministry, Sisters Supporting Sisters and is a counselor and prayer partner to many; and

WHEREAS, devotion to her faith is matched only by her love for family, including her husband of 27 years, Allen E. Twyman; her daughter Benita R. Evans; and her grandson Brandon who is among those who affectionately call Ms. Bessie "Gran-Gran"; and

WHEREAS, while Ms. Bessie is a grandmother, her youthful beauty has allowed her to model and to earn the title of “Shoe & Hat Queen” among family and friends; and

WHEREAS, after 45-plus years working in a professional office setting, 20-plus years running her own catering company, and a lifetime tending to the needs of family, friends and strangers, Ms. Bessie has earned a retirement that will allow her to focus on that which she loves most and to travel; now, therefore

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

That this council does hereby honor, recognize and thank Bessie M. Twyman for her many years of dedicated service to the City of Columbus on the occasion of her retirement, July 31, 2015.