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To honor, recognize and celebrate the life of Sylvester Sowell and extend our sincerest condolences to his family and friends on the occasion of his passing, Wednesday, January 23, 2019.

WHEREAS, the members of Columbus City Council extend this resolution of expression in honor of the life and service of Sylvester Sowell who peacefully passed away on Wednesday, January 23, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Sylvester Sowell was born on July 22, 1934 - he is a native of Athens, Alabama as the only child of Louis and Mary Sowell - he received his education from Cincinnati public schools, graduating from Woodward High School in 1952; and

WHEREAS, Sylvester continued his education at The Ohio State University, where he met, fell in love with and later married, Christine Viola Cunningham on July 21, 1956 - They shared over 60 wonderful years together in marriage - Sylvester also served two years in the United States Army Chemical Corps; and

WHEREAS, After his honorable discharge, Sylvester began a career of service - he was a member of the Merry Makers Club, Inc. and he was employed by the Battelle Memorial Institute - During his thirty-four years of service at Battelle, he was a major contributor to three U.S. Patents and received numerous awards for his expertise in polymer synthesis and biodegradable technology; and

WHEREAS, Sylvester Sowell will be missed - Sylvester is preceded in death by his loving wife Christine - He is survived by daughter Darlene Sowell; son Kevin (Terrie) Sowell; granddaughter Lauren (Jarrett) Tufts; grandson Vincent Sowell; great-grandsons Jaxon and Jarrett Tufts Jr.; daughter-in-law Vanessa Sowell; and a host of cousins, extended family, and a host of relatives and dear friends; now therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby honor, recognize and celebrate the life of Sylvester Sowell and extend our sincerest condolences to his family and friends on the occasion of his passing, Wednesday, January 23, 2019.