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To recognize the leadership and community commitment of Anna Voelker as a recipient of The Ohio State University's President's Prize.

WHEREAS, The Ohio State University annually selects two graduating seniors as President's Prize scholars for the boldness of their ideas, their capacity to champion change, and their commitment to the global community; and

WHEREAS, Anna Voelker was awarded the 2017 President's Prize in recognition for her work with her AstroAccess project which will address access to science for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the goal of AstroAccess is to make science more accessible for people with disabilities around the world through inclusive astronomy outreach initiatives. It will engage a global network of scientists and educators, including those in the local Columbus community, in science accessibility and education through a conference, student outreach and other initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Anna plans to research and learn from accessibility projects in South Africa, develop new games and teaching methods for children with autism and help bring Ohio State to the forefront of science accessibility by hosting an international conference at the university; and

WHEREAS, science for disabled students will be more accessible in the City of Columbus and at The Ohio University thanks to Anna Voelker; now, therefore

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

That this council does hereby recognize Anna Voelker for receiving the President's Prize from The Ohio State University and for her outstanding work in the community