

Legislation Text

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To express the gratitude and deep appreciation of the Mayor and Council of the City of Columbus to Joel Sanford Taylor for his exceptional service and his unselfish commitment to improving the quality of life for all Columbus residents upon his retirement as Director of the Department of Finance and Management.

WHEREAS, Joel Sanford Taylor was appointed Director of the Finance Department by Mayor Michael B. Coleman on June 5, 2000; and

WHEREAS, as Director for the last nine years, Joel Sanford Taylor has served the City of Columbus with distinction and demonstrated an exemplary commitment to the safety and quality of life of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, over the years Joel has quietly, effectively, and firmly set an unparalleled standard of excellence by tirelessly focusing on city finances, performance management, and strengthening the role and focus of what has become the Department of Finance and Management; and

WHEREAS, as Director of the Department of Finance and Management, Joel said "no" five hundred and fifty five thousand times; and

WHEREAS, while Joel has chosen to conclude his professional career, his legacy of service and dedication will continue as a worthy example for others to follow; and

**WHEREAS**, Joel will be genuinely missed by friends and colleagues as he sets out on the next chapter in his life in Ashland, Oregon, where he and his wife Donna will follow some of their passions, including enjoying the outdoors, theater, travel, Sudoku, and chasing grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, as Joel looks forward to spending more time with his family, it is more than fitting for this Council to recognize his many contributions to the quality of life in Columbus and to acknowledge the affection of his many friends; now, therefore

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

That City Council does hereby express gratitude and appreciation to Joel Sanford Taylor for his dedicated service to the City of Columbus, Ohio upon his retirement as Director of the Department of Finance and Management.

Furthermore this Council does hereby recognize Joel Sanford Taylor for his exemplary leadership, fiscal stewardship, and unwavering commitment to improving the quality of life for all Columbus residents.