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To honor and recognize Ms. Patty Harris on the occasion of her retirement from Columbus Recreation and Parks.

WHEREAS, Patty Harris has served on the staff of Columbus Recreation and Parks since May 1987, when she was hired as an organizational and employment development specialist after working in human resources with the Ohio Department of Administrative Services and the Columbus Civil Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harris's exceptional performance allowed her to advance in the department, succeeding in several roles before assuming her duties as assistant director in the fall of 2000; and

WHEREAS, in her role as assistant director, Patty has overseen the city's community recreation centers, as well as the department's outdoor education efforts, arts and sports programming and activities, and countless special events; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harris has overseen or contributed to numerous large-scale projects and events including the annual Ohio Parks and Recreation Conferences, local and statewide youth track meets, and the Gus Macker Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament, as well as serving as a board member of the Columbus Marathon and co-chair of the Recreation and Parks 100th Anniversary Committee, and also working with Columbus Public Health on healthy lifestyles programming; and

WHEREAS, Patty has been a participant in many Recreation and Parks programs, enrolling in numerous classes at the Cultural Arts Center and frequently showing off her clogging skills at the recreation centers and her driving skills at the Senior Malibu Challenge; and

WHEREAS, members of Columbus City Council and their staff are grateful to have benefitted from Patty's considerable knowledge and expertise, and know from experience that she is a dedicated and capable public servant; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

That this Council hereby honors and recognizes Ms. Patty Harris on the occasion of her retirement from Columbus Recreation and Parks, and thanks her for her thirty-one years of exemplary public service.