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To Celebrate the Irish Heritage and Contributions of Fire Chief Kevin O'Connor to the City of Columbus on Irish Proclamation Day, 2016.

WHEREAS, Kevin O'Connor began his service to the City of Columbus Division of Fire in 1989 as a firefighter/paramedic. He then rose through the ranks of the division serving as a lieutenant from 1994-1997, captain from 1997-2001, battalion chief from 2001-2011, deputy chief in 2011, assistant chief from 2011-2015 and finally, Fire Chief beginning in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Kevin O'Connor is responsible for numerous cost-saving measures erected by the Division of Fire by spearheading charges to address the rising costs of overtime, establishing cooperative partnerships that also increase training and other opportunities for providing services of the highest caliber at the lowest costs; and

WHEREAS, Kevin O'Connor has an extensive record of service to the City of Columbus and has been key in keeping its citizens safe through a number of roles that have fostered improved community relations and involvement; and

WHEREAS, Kevin O'Connor is of Irish descent and a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Shamrock Club of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, we recognize Kevin O'Connor on Proclamation Day, March 11, 2016, as an honoree who has celebrated and shared his heritage with the citizens of Columbus through his service; therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby celebrate the contributions of Fire Chief O'Connor to the Irish and Columbus communities and his commitment to making the City of Columbus the best place to live, work and raise a family.