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To Recognize Police Chief Kimberley K. Jacobs, in Honor of her 39 years of Distinguished Service with the Columbus Division of Police

WHEREAS, Kimberley K. Jacobs began her exemplary career with the Columbus Division of Police in 1979. She is the first woman in the history of the Columbus Division of Police to be promoted to Commander Deputy Chief, and Police Chief; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure, Chief Jacobs has made training and community policing her primary areas of focus. She has led the charge by increasing the amount of diversity, bias-based, and de-escalation training for the Columbus Division of Police. She has acted as a catalyst for initiatives such as the Division's Citizen Police Academy, implementation of a separate Domestic Violence report, and the complete reorganization of Internal Affairs to investigate all citizen complaints; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jacobs represented the City of Columbus in 2010, when she hosted President Obama at the graduation ceremony of the Division of Police's 114th recruit class. Later, she was recognized to spearhead national police training efforts as part of President Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jacobs has represented the Columbus Division of Police locally as a Board Member for The Center for Family Safety and Healing; in the state of Ohio, serving on the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission; and nationally, as a member of the Major Cities Chiefs Association; and

WHEREA, Chief Jacobs holds herself to the highest standard of excellence by following the mission statement she created, "Columbus Division of Police officers are in service with the purpose to protect, with the passion to preserve, and with the upmost pride in our performance"; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jacobs has exemplified the core values of the Columbus Division of Police throughout her career. Her dedication to the Columbus community and passion for public service have truly been a blessing to this City and its residents; now therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby express its appreciation for the outstanding contributions that have been made by Police Chief Kimberley K. Jacobs during her 39 years of public service to the City of Columbus, and this Council congratulates her on her retirement.