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To recognize and congratulate the owner and staff of Patrick J's on the occasion of their 25th anniversary of operation, and to express thanks and appreciation for their service to the community and contributions to improve the quality of life in Columbus

WHEREAS, on June 21, 1987, John Raphael and Pat Norris went into business together and opened a bar and restaurant in a former Kentucky Fried Chicken in Columbus, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, this new business was named "Patrick J's" after Patrick John Norris, the son of Pat Norris and godson of Raphael; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J's would quickly become a comfortable neighborhood gathering place where family and friends could come to relax, eat and imbibe; and

WHEREAS, after a quarter of a century, this friendly neighborhood tavern has not only contributed to the local economy but to the character of the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, Patrick J's commitment to service extends beyond providing refreshment to its patrons, and is evident through their support for the community as a whole through fundraisers, special events, in-kind donations, sponsorships and financial contributions; and

WHEREAS, despite challenges, including the extensive damage suffered in July 2002 when a Fire Engine crashed into the building, Patrick J's has remained a stalwart member of the business community and a true champion of Clintonville and all that Columbus has to offer; and

WHEREAS, as a successful business in operation for 25 years, Patrick J's has become a valued civic partner, philanthropic supporter and Columbus landmark thanks in large part to its owner John Raphael, his sister Kathleen Smith and their valued staff; now, therefore

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

That this council does hereby recognize and congratulate the owner and staff of Patrick J's on the occasion of their 25th anniversary of operation, and extends our sincere thanks and appreciation for their service to the community and contributions to improve the quality of life in Columbus.