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To honor Larry and Donna James for their support of the Columbus community and to recognize the work of the American Red Cross of Greater Columbus.

WHEREAS, each year the American Red Cross of Greater Columbus honors local community members for their extraordinary contributions to our community; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2012, the American Red Cross of Greater Columbus will join more than 600 local corporate and community partners to honor Donna and Larry James, for their numerous charitable contributions to the Columbus community at the 16th Annual Humanitarian of the Year Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, Larry and Donna James have made outstanding contributions to the business, legal, civic and political climate in the Columbus community for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, currently Managing Director of Lardon & Associates LLC, Donna James is the founder and board chair of the Center for Healthy Families, a non-profit organization focused on transforming the lives of pregnant and parenting teens and their children. She is a board trustee for Ohio Health and the Executive Director for the African American Leadership Academy Her previous community service includes the Women's Fund of Central Ohio, The Health Policy Institute of Ohio, the United Way of America Board of Governors, I Know I Can, the Wexner Center for the Arts Board of Trustees; and chairwoman of the YWCA of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, as a respected litigator and partner with law firm, Crabbe, Brown & James, Larry James has served as the Chair of the Columbus City Council Charter Review Committee and Ohio State Highway Patrol Superintendent Advisory Panel. His previous experience includes Assistant City Attorney (Cleveland and Columbus), Safety Director for the Columbus Department of Public Safety, Co-Chair of the Columbus Public Schools Oversight/Accountability Board and headed two successful Columbus Public Schools levies; now, therefore

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

That we do hereby honor Larry and Donna James for their ongoing support and thank them for their commitment to the Columbus community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we do recognize the American Red Cross of Greater Columbus, serving more than 1.3 million residents of central Ohio with Disaster Relief, Service to Military Families, Health & Safety Education and other life-saving programs.