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To Honor, Recognize, and Celebrate the Life of Tina Lynn Szmania-DeFluiter and to Extend our Sincerest Condolences to her Family and Friends

WHEREAS, Tina Lynn Szmania-DeFluiter was born on September 9, 1959 in Toledo, Ohio and is survived by husband John DeFluiter as well as her son, Dale (Chelsie) DeFluiter II; grandchildren, Oakley and Nash; brother, Terry (Pamela) Szmania; and many other family members and friends; and

WHEREAS, Tina Lynn Szmania-DeFluiter was a proud graduate of The Ohio State University and was a treasured employee of the City of Columbus for over forty years; and

WHEREAS, in her role as the Employee Programs Coordinator, Tina worked tirelessly to champion many causes to raise funds, coordinate volunteerism and support initiatives on behalf of the City of Columbus and its employees; and

WHEREAS, causes that she routinely supported at the City of Columbus included the United Way of Central Ohio's combined charitable campaign, Mid-Ohio Food Collective's food drive and volunteer opportunities, Veteran's Day Celebration and luncheon, 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony, Employee Recognition Ceremonies and the American Red Cross Blood Drives; and

WHEREAS, she quickly became a trusted partner of Councilmember Bankston and his team through her assistance in running city employee blood drives during Sickle Cell Awareness month in September; and

WHEREAS, thanks to her exemplary work on the Sickle Cell Awareness Month Blood Drives, Tina was recognized in October for work by Columbus City Council; and

WHEREAS, Tina went above and beyond her role for the City of Columbus for the causes she was asked to support, was loved by all who met her and was respected by all who worked with her; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: This Council respectfully acknowledges and commemorates the life of Tina Lynn Szmania-DeFluiter, recognizing her impactful contributions to the city, and extends our deepest condolences to her family and friends.