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To honor and recognize Mr. Clarence D. Lumpkin for his dedicated service to the Linden Community as the United States Postal Service renames the Linden Post Office to The Clarence D. Lumpkin Post Office on September 11, 2010.

WHEREAS, Clarence D. Lumpkin was born in 1925 to a family of sharecroppers, forsaking a formal education until the age of twelve to care for his dying mother; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lumpkin served his country admirably in World War II, being discharged in 1945 after serving in New Guinea; and

WHEREAS, upon his arrival in Columbus, Mr. Lumpkin entered the local workforce as a head spotter and cleaner for Swan cleaners, leaving in 1969 to become a Columbus contract compliance officer for the federal Model Cities program; and

WHEREAS, two years later, Mr. Lumpkin took a job with the State of Ohio and in December 1992, he retired as chief of the enforcement division in the Department of Highway Safety's Bureau of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lumpkin is a long time member of the Bethel A.M.E. Church in Linden; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lumpkin works with the Greater Linden Development Corporation to improve the quality of life in the Greater Linden community through housing and economic development, planning, coordinating of services, and other community-building activities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lumpkin is the recipient of the Greater Linden Development Corporation "Lifetime Achievement Award"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lumpkin helped form the Community Development Block Grant Task Force (CDBG), working with the City to separate storm and sanitation sewers to stop basement flooding, leading anti-drug marches throughout Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lumpkin has been instrumental in making Linden the first inner-city community with lights on every residential street, guiding the South Linden Area Commission, the South Linden Leadership Group and the Greater Linden Development Corporation as well as sharing a vision to improve the Linden area - including the Point of Pride concept that was first shared with City leaders in a speech given in 1974; and

WHEREAS, for over 40 years, Mr. Lumpkin has been an avid activist and exemplified the high ideals of service to the Linden Community and continues to be a true inspiration to the community; now therefore

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

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