

Legislation Text

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To recognize and commend Mary Ralstin Nordstrom for her twenty-eight years of distinguished service to the City of Columbus on her retirement from the Department of Technology on February 28, 2011.

WHEREAS, Mary Ralstin Nordstrom began her career with the City of Columbus in 1983 as a part time cable assistant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Nordstrom was promoted to video producer in 1985 and worked with City Council to create a national award winning program series called the <u>Job Show</u>; and

WHEREAS, as a producer, Ms. Nordstrom also worked with the Recreation and Parks Department to create a program series for seniors which also garnered a national award for government access programming; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, Ms. Nordstrom became the Cable Television Manager responsible for the City's three cable access channels and leading the City to four national awards for overall government channel programming; and

WHEREAS, with the advent of Internet video and social media, Ms. Nordstrom's role quickly expanded to include new media; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her achievements with the City, Ms. Nordstrom's individual projects have won honors from the Columbus International Film and Video Festival and the Arts and Entertainment Network; and

WHEREAS, during her twenty-three years as manager, Ms. Nordstrom has participated in the evolution of video production from analog to digital and has transitioned the City through five different tape formats; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Nordstrom has presided over the conversion of the studio and control equipment to digital; leaving the City poised to begin HD production; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Nordstrom will be genuinely be missed by friends and colleagues and as she sets out on the next chapter in her life, her legacy with CTV will forever live on; now, therefore

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

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