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To Recognize and Congratulate John A. Lyall for Receiving the John T. Greene, II Labor Award upon the Occasion of the 29th Annual Labor Salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

WHEREAS, President John A. Lyall is a native of Cleveland and first joined AFSCME as a member in 1973, when he went to work for the City of North Olmsted. In 1979, he joined the Cleveland AFSCME staff as an assistant administrator with the Ohio AFSCME Care Plan; and

WHEREAS, John Lyall was appointed Cleveland Regional Director in 1991. In 1996, he was elected head of the state's largest central labor body when he served as President of the Cleveland Federation of Labor AFL-CIO, a post he held until 1998. In 1999, he was appointed Council 8's first Organizing Director and in 2001, became the union's First Vice President; and

WHEREAS, John A. Lyall has served as President of AFSCME Ohio Council 8 since 2007, and was unanimously elected to a second four-year term in 2011, at the AFSCME Ohio Council 8 19th Biennial Convention. He serves as an AFSCME International Vice President on the executive board of the 1.6-million member union. He also serves as chairman of the AFSCME Ohio Council 8 Care Plan; and

WHEREAS, President Lyall also serves as a Vice President on the Ohio AFL-CIO Executive Board and is a member of the Ohio AFL-CIO Executive Committee. Lyall is also a member of the State Executive Committee of the Ohio Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, John Lyall is a graduate of Baldwin-Wallace College and the Harvard University Trade Union Program. He has been married 26 years and has three children; and

WHEREAS, John Lyall's commitments to labor rights reflect the spirit of Martin Luther King Day, his contributions and achievements making him worthy of being a recipient of the John T. Greene, II Labor Award; now therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby recognize and congratulate John A. Lyall for receiving the John T. Greene, II Labor Award and thank him for his continued service and dedication to labor rights.