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To honor, celebrate, and thank Marcello Canova for representing the City of Columbus at the 7th Annual 2018 Pesto World Championship in Genoa, Italy.

WHEREAS, classic pesto is customarily made with crushed pine nuts, garlic, basil, olive oil and Parmigiano-Reggiano - a tradition that dates back to ancient Rome; and

WHEREAS, Marcello Canova, the 2017 Columbus Italian Festival Champion, was given the opportunity to represent the City of Columbus at the 7th Annual 2018 Pesto World Championship in Genoa, Italy on Saturday March 17th 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Pesto World Championship, founded in 2007 by Roberto Panizza, a Genoese restaurateur who feared that the tradition of using a stone mortar and wooden pestle to make pesto was disappearing; and

WHEREAS, the annual Pesto World Championship has become one of the signature events and cultural highlights of the City of Genoa; and

WHEREAS, the event featured 100 competitors from around the world; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is proud of its 63 year collaboration with the City of Genoa, Italy, its first and oldest sister city; and

WHEREAS, the city expresses its appreciation to Columbus Sister Cities International on its partnership, advocacy, engagement and cultural exchange - ultimately enhancing the quality of life for Columbus and Central Ohio residents; and

WHEREAS, Marcello Canova, a 40 year old Ohio State University College professor, born and raised in the northern Italian city of Mantova, held his own against competitors from around the world during this 30 minute challenge, now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby honor, celebrate, and thank Marcello Canova for representing the City of Columbus at the 7th Annual 2018 Pesto World Championship in Genoa, Italy.