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To Support the Passage of the Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks Levy

WHEREAS, the Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks conserve and improve local natural resources, wildlife habitat, streams, and natural areas by acquiring, maintaining, developing, improving, and operating more than 27,700 acres of park land and more than 230 miles of greenway trails and other properties in the Parks District; and

WHEREAS, each year approximately 11 million people visit a park or trail in the Metro Parks system and more than 180,000 people participate in the free nature education programs provided; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus falls within the territory of the Parks District and operates Three Creeks Park, Audubon Park, and the multiuse trail system in coordination with the Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks; and

WHEREAS, Columbus residents benefit directly from the Metro Parks' mission to conserve open spaces while providing places and opportunities that encourage people to discover and experience nature; and

WHEREAS, the new 0.95 mill levy will be used to continue benefiting Columbus residents by supporting the mission of the Metro Parks district through acquiring, developing, improving, maintaining, and operating additional lands for park and trail purposes pursuant to section 1545.21 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks have demonstrated to be excellent stewards of their allotted funds and resources by successfully keeping their promises to citizens; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby support the passage of the Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks District's 0.95 mill tax levy that is to be voted on November 6th, 2018.

