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To Recognize the Service of Robert Walton to the United States Armed Forces

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Robert Walton enlisted in the United States Army following the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. His brother, Clarence Walton, was stationed at Pearl Harbor when the base was bombed and survived; and

**WHEREAS**, Prior to arriving at Fort Dix for basic training, Walton was approached by an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and ordered to return to his civilian employer; and

**WHEREAS**, Walton was asked to return, because he was a member of the team producing penicillin for the United States Military during WWII; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1942, the United States Military had an extreme shortage of the lifesaving drug, penicillin. Walton was able to develop the media broth that allowed for mass production of the drug. Within a year, the military had enough to save millions of American and European troops; and

**WHEREAS**, While he did not serve directly, Walton's contributions to the United States Military and his country are unparalleled. His contribution to science and medicine saved millions of lives; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby express its appreciation for Robert Walton for the service of Mr. Robert Walton to the United States of America during World War II.

