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To recognize, honor and celebrate the service of Dr. Rebecca Boyd on her 85th birthday.

WHEREAS, Dr. Rebecca Boyd has developed a reputation for leadership and service through her work and commitment to the youth of the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boyd, an active member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated for almost 50 years, in the spirit of Alpha Kappa Alpha, has committed herself to cultivating and encouraging high scholastic and ethical standards, promoting unity and friendship, helping to alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, and moreover to being of "Service to All Mankind"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boyd distinguished herself through her career as a business teacher with the Ohio Youth Commission and through her 35 years of service to the students of Mifflin High School where she held a number of leadership positions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boyd's humble reputation for excellence through service began in Bluefield, West Virginia where she was born 85 years ago as the youngest of 12 children; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boyd's devotion to academic enrichment first began with her matriculation to Xavier University in New Orleans, Louisiana and later at Bluefield State Teachers College where she graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boyd continued her post graduate studies at The Ohio State University where she received a Master's degree in Business Administration and a PhD in Education Philosophy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boyd's commitment to education and service continued even into her retirement through her 20 years of service to the Shepard Community Association where she operated the Shepard Neighborhood Action Program where she wrote grants to support after school programs and summer youth camps; thru her service as a Board Member of Catholic Concerns; Black Catholic Ministries; and First Love, which is committed to improving the lives of young people stricken with HIV and AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boyd's work has also been recognized by The Columbus Metropolitan Area Church Council where she received the Living Faith Award; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize, honor, and celebrate Dr. Rebecca Boyd on her 85th Birthday and thank her for her dedicated service to the young people in the City of Columbus.