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To Honor, Recognize, and Celebrate the Life of Gisela Sieglinde Banzhaf Rosenbaum and to Extend our Sincerest Condolences to her Family and Friends.

WHEREAS, Gisela Sieglinde Banzhaf Rosenbaum was born on March 4, 1937 in Stuttgart, Germany to Josef Georg Banzhaf and Babette Straub Banzhaf; and

WHEREAS, Gisela consistently broke barriers in her career, becoming the first female and first non-engineer ever to serve as the Director of Public Service for the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Gisela was known for making friends with people from all across the political spectrum because of her straightforward and practical views and demeanor; and

WHEREAS, Gisela did incredible work for eighteen years on the board of Mt. Carmel Health, raising money for hospice, Ballet Met, and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, Gisela's caring and compassionate heart made her a hero to many rescued animals at her successful horse farm in Knox County; and

WHEREAS, Gisela is survived by her husband - the love of her life, James Gabriel, her daughter Kelly Stewart, her sons Tarn Rosenbaum and Michael Gabriel, her sisters Ursel Lutz and Bruni Bauder, and her brother Klaus Dieter Banzhaf, among many other friends and family; and

WHEREAS, Gisela's commitment to public service and the welfare of others will forever serve as a model of how to lead an altruistic life. She blessed the City of Columbus, and will be truly missed; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby honor, recognize, and celebrate the life of Gisela Sieglinde Banzhaf Rosenbaum and extends our sincerest condolences to her family and friends.