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To Celebrate March 17, 2017 as St. Patrick's Day in the City of Columbus

WHEREAS, for more than 100 years the Irish of Columbus have promoted and shared their culture and heritage; and

WHEREAS, many of the strong men and women of earlier generations fled The Great Hunger in Ireland to come to a new life in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, so many of our proud Irish ancestors faced economic, religious and social persecution with heads held high and shoulders squared; and

WHEREAS, those same Irish survived and prospered and built the infrastructure of Columbus as well as large families that spread from old Irish Broadway out to the North, South, East and West ends of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, we remember the contributions of those who came before us, those who stand with us and thank God for the good fortune to be Irish; and

WHEREAS, our strength is in our people and our love and care for one another is reflected in our 2017 Irish American honorees; and

WHEREAS, the Shamrock Club of Columbus and its President, Brian O'Reilly, have led the Club forward in honoring and celebrating our Irish heritage and culture; and

WHEREAS, the Shamrock Club was founded in 1936 and has grown to include more than 2,000 members and offers a wide variety of Irish cultural events and activities every week of the year; and

WHEREAS, together, as Clann na nGael, One Family Irish, we recognize the contributions of the Irish community to the City of Columbus; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this council does hereby celebrate Irish Heritage in the City of Columbus and recognize March 17, 2017 as St. Patrick's Day.