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To Honor and Celebrate the Life of Patricia “Pat” Lewis and Extend Sincere Condolences to her Family and Friends on the Occasion of her Passing on Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**WHEREAS**, Pat is considered one of the founders of modern-day ‘Victorian Village’ and the area now known as the ‘Short North’ in Columbus bringing a sense of identity to the area, organizing the neighborhood’s first Tour of Homes and overseeing the event as it has blossomed over the last four decades; and

**WHEREAS**, Pat was referred to as the “Grand Dame” of Victorian Village due to her extensive community involvement coordinating the Tour of Homes, serving on the board of the Friends of Goodale Park for over thirty years, and receiving awards such as Exemplary Neighbor, Volunteer of the Year, Outstanding Service Award, and more from various neighborhood organizations. Friends of Goodale Park even recognized “Pat Lewis Day” as a tribute to her dedication and work with the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Pat was an advocate and avid fan for the Columbus arts community, earning the Unsung Hero Award from the Short North Alliance at their Third Annual Gala for her tireless work contributing to the development of the Short North Arts District. She always made a point to attend as many Columbus-area art exhibitions and performances as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, Pat also served in various citywide endeavors, such as extensively supporting the Greenlawn Abbey Cemetery Association in recent years and serving on the City Task Force to address citywide problems and improve the quality of life for all residents of Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, Pat had the trait of “knowing everybody,” as her kind, inclusive, genuine spirit allowed her to connect with people of all ages and backgrounds, endearing her to many residents of the city of Columbus; now, therefore

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

That this Council does honor, recognize, and celebrate the life of Patricia “Pat” Lewis and extend our sincere condolences to her family and friends on the occasion of her passing on Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017.