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To recognize and celebrate EJ's Warrior Karate Academy on representing Columbus in the USA Karate National Championship & US Team Trials

WHEREAS, EJ's Warrior Karate Academy is a traditional karate and tae kwon do dojo founded on the mission to master the art of fighting without fighting; and

**WHEREAS,** Students are trained not only in self-defense, but self-awareness, discipline, and confidence. The values instilled in these students inspires them to be aware of their actions, and better their community by being ambassadors of Peace; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2014 EJ's Warriors qualified for the USA Karate National Championship & US Team Trials in Reno, Nevada, but were unable to compete due to financial restraints. However, the Warriors continued to compete and qualified again in 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** With the financial assistance of the Local 67 Firefighters Union the Warriors were able to compete in the 2018 USA Karate National Championship & US Team Trials; and

**WHEREAS,** The eight competitors ranging in age from 7 to 19 had a strong showing at the National Championship and USA Team Trials. The team combined for a total of seven medals, one gold medal, one silver, and five bronze. In addition, four competitors reached the classification of ELITE competitor in the USA team trials and one competitor qualified for US National Team; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate EJ's Warrior Karate Academy for representing Columbus in the USA Karate National Championships. In addition, Council would like to commend these young people for making the choice to be a positive influence in their community.