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To honor, recognize and celebrate the life of civil rights champion and advocate Mrs. Sybil T. Edwards-McNabb and extend our sincerest condolences to her family and friends on the occasion of her passing, Sunday, August 12, 2018.

WHEREAS, the members of Columbus City Council extend this resolution of expression in honor of the life and service of civil rights champion Mrs. Sybil T. Edwards-McNabb who peacefully passed away on Sunday, August 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Sybil was born to Mr. James and Rev. Margaret Edwards Sanders in Columbus, Ohio on Thursday, August 10, 1942; she grew up in Poindexter Village, graduated from East High School; started college at Central State University; and received her Bachelor of Arts in Social and Behavioral Science from OSU - she also pursued graduate work at Central Michigan University, and married Elder Ronald B. McNabb and from this union produced a daughter: Mrs. Truphelia M. Parker; and

WHEREAS, Sybil had an broad and meaningful career working with the U.S. Department of Defense for more than 25 years - she also had an exceptional record of community service with the State Conference of the NAACP where she served as President for 16 years - she also served as a Past Youth Council Advisor, a member of the State Executive Committee, served as the State's 3rd Vice President, established the first ACT-SO (Afro-Academic Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics) Competition in Ohio, opened the State Community Technology Center in Trotwood, Ohio which helped bridge the digital divide, and she led the nation in establishing NAACP chapters in penal institutions; and

WHEREAS, Sybil understood the importance of making a difference - she served on the Executive Board of the Ohio Sickle Cell and Health Association; President of the Long Street Business Association; and she was one of seven original members of the Northside Church of God, founded by her mother, Rev. Margaret Edwards and later pastored by her sister Rev. E. L' Tanya Lemon; and

WHEREAS, Sybil will be missed - left to cherish her memory she leaves her loving and devoted husband, Elder Ronald B. McNabb; daughter, Truphelia M. (Reginald) Parker; adoring grandsons, Jordan K. Cole, Reginald II, and Renard Sherman Parker. Siblings Rev. Rhodell (George) Valentine, Luwana (David) Hall, Elder James (Earlene) Edwards, Rev. Nancy Jones and Nadine Williams and a host of extended family members, nieces, nephews, and friends; 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 civil rights champion and advocate Mrs. Sybil T. Edwards-McNabb and extend our sincerest condolences to her family and friends on the occasion of her passing, Sunday, August 12, 2018.