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To Honor and Recognize the Columbus Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on behalf of their dedication to mentoring youth and their outstanding service to the community

**WHEREAS**, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was founded on January 13, 1913, by twenty-two collegiate women at Howard University. The private, non-profit organization's purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS**, The Columbus (OH) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (CAC), was established on May 20, 1934. The CAC, is a 501(C)7 organization committed to primarily serving the African-American community within Franklin County, through the sorority's Five-Point Programmatic Thrust; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout Columbus, the CAC provides numerous educational and enriching programs such as the Shirley Chisholm Conference for Girls in Government, the Dr. Betty Shabazz Delta Academy, Dr. Jeanne L. Noble Delta GEMS, EMBODI, and the Alexa Canady Doctors & Dentist Conference; and

**WHEREAS**, Delta Academy serves as a catalyst for academic excellence among young African-American girls between the ages 11 and 14. The program is designed to address the educational and social development needs of middle school girls focusing on "STEM," skills. Delta Gems serves as a catalyst for young African-American girls between the ages of 14 and 18 to enhance their abilities to achieve academic excellence. GEMS is an acronym for Growing and Empowering Myself Successfully. The program is designed to develop strong, confident and respectful young ladies by striving to prepare them to take an active role in their success and in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, The members of the CAC strive to continue the legacy of sisterhood, scholarship and service. Their Annual Etiquette Brunch, held on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> 2019, features several local mentoring organizations and it teaches young men and women the importance of polite behavior and a positive attitude in society; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby congratulate the Columbus Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on their service and numerous contributions to the City of Columbus.