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To honor and congratulate Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center East Hospital on their Twenty Year Anniversary of service to the Columbus Community

WHEREAS, Continuing a 107-year legacy of hospital care on the Near East Side of Columbus, The Ohio State University purchased the hospital formerly known as St. Anthony's and Park Medical Center in 1999 with the goal extending the academic medical center mission of patient care, teaching and research in a unique way to serve this community.

WHEREAS, East Hospital, care services have grown exponentially over the years. All of Ohio State's addiction medicine services are now located at Talbot Hall. The Sleep Disorders Center was established. First-of-their-kind outpatient surgery suites were constructed to support Sports Medicine. Imaging transitioned to fully digital systems. East Hospital has become a national showcase site for several new imaging systems.

WHEREAS, with the focus on growing the orthopedic surgery program, one of the first renovation projects Ohio State constructed was a new patient unit specifically designed to meet the unique needs of its patients. Another significant early project was a new emergency department. Opened in 2005, the 26-bay unit provided much-needed space for the growing number of patients coming to East Hospital for emergency care. In 2018, with the increased integration of emergency-related services across all hospital departments, East Hospital's Emergency Department received Trauma Level III certification, a designation that allows for an enhanced level of care for emergency patients.

WHEREAS, over these 20 years, Ohio State has modernized every facility in the hospital to the highest standards. Each patient care unit and department has been updated, as have all public areas of the hospital. To support excellent patient care, Ohio State improved nearly every aspect of the infrastructure of the hospital, from emergency power to information technology.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby congratulate Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center East Hospital on 20 years of medical services to the City of Columbus.