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To honor and celebrate the life of Firefighter William Thomas Russell and to extend our sincerest condolences to his family and friends

WHEREAS, Firefighter William Thomas Russell served the Columbus Division of Fire and the residents of Columbus for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, During his time with the Division of Fire, Firefighter Russell served as a firefighter and paramedic at Station 8 on Long Street and Champion Avenue. Later, he spent 15 years working with Medflight; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Russell was a native of Columbus and a proud graduate of East High School in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Russell was known by many in the Columbus community as “Dr. Fire” and was recognized as Firefighter of the Year 5 times during his career; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Russell founded “Firefighters 4 Kids” with Mike Mullins to provide Christmas gifts to children in need. He served the organization for over 25 years; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby honor and celebrate the life of Columbus Firefighter William Thomas Russell and extends our sincerest condolences to his family and friends.