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To Congratulate Mr. Robert Dillard & Paul Locke on their retirement from Dillard and Locke Barbershop after more than 60 years

WHEREAS, Current owners Paul Locke and Robert Dillard, two community elders, will retire and close their Near East side business as of June 30th, 2019; and

WHEREAS, The Lynch and Nichols barbershop was bought from owners, David Lynch and Tom Nichols, and eventually becoming what was originally known as Calvin-Dillard-Locke Barbershop when they opened in 1957; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Paul Locke started working in the barbershop in 1962 and Mr. Robert Dillard started working in the barbershop in 1966 and eventually making an impression on Near East residents, politicians, business leaders, and celebrities over the years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dillard and Mr. Locke purchased the shop in 1973 and changed the name to Dillard and Locke Barbershop after less than ten years working their way up to owners of their small business; and

WHEREAS, Dillard and Locke Barbershop is one of the oldest black businesses in Columbus having served the black community for over six decades in the Bronzeville neighborhood; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby Congratulate Mr. Robert Dillard and Paul Locke on their retirement from Dillard and Locke Barbershop after more than 60 years.