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To Commend and Thank Steven R. Schoeny for his Outstanding Service to the City of Columbus

WHEREAS, Steven R. Schoeny began working as Director of the Department of Development in June 2013; and

WHEREAS, since 2013, the Department of Development has partnered with the private sector to create approximately 18,000 jobs in Columbus, 3,136 units of affordable housing, and sold a total of 1400 Land Bank properties, including 775 formerly blighted structures for renovation; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership, the City of Columbus and partners managed to #SaveTheCrew, rewrite our incentive playbook to encourage affordable housing and good-paying jobs, ensured the long-term stability of the North Market, pushed Columbus towards 10,000 downtown residents, and reinvigorated Columbus' urban core; and

WHEREAS, Director Schoeny was a staunch supporter of his employees, committing both departmental resources and his time to the Department's Quality of Working Life and Diversity and Inclusion committees; and

WHEREAS, despite his many accomplishments, it should be noted that, much to his chagrin, Director Schoeny lost the Department's 2018 Chili Cook-off, but is welcome to participate in future years; and

WHEREAS, Director Schoeny, always honest and forthright, was a trusted advisor to all branches of city government and external partners; and

WHEREAS, while Director Schoeny will be missed by many, he will continue his career in public service as City Manager for Upper Arlington, where he lives with his wife Holly and their two sons, Geoffrey and Nate; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this City Council does hereby express its profound appreciation to Steven R. Schoeny for his service to the City of Columbus.