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Legislation Text

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To honor and recognize Sandy Doyle-Ahern on receiving Homeport's 2020 Voice and Vision Award.

WHEREAS, Sandy Doyle-Ahern in 2013 became the first woman to head EMH&T, a central Ohio-based full-service engineering , survey, environmental and land planning firm in business since 1926; and

WHEREAS, as president of EMH&T, Sandy oversees the operations and growth strategy for 340 licensed professionals, technical and field personnel. Under her leadership, EMH&T is consistently ranked Central Ohio's No. 1 engineering firm by Columbus Business First and ranked Best of Business by the readers of Columbus CEO magazine; and

WHEREAS, Sandy has taken her skills as a scientist, engineer and business executive and transported them to the greater good of Central Ohio, advancing to leadership roles on many boards impacting thousands through education, the environment and housing; and

WHEREAS, Sandy is Board Chair of the YWCA of Columbus, Vice President of Columbus Academy's Board of Trustees and serves on The Columbus Partnership, a membership-based CEO organization of more than 70 CEOs from Columbus' leading businesses and institutions. Sandy has brought the development and civic communities together to identify and breakdown obstacles contributing to Central Ohio's affordable housing shortage; and

WHEREAS, EMH&T employees are knowledgeable about the disparity of housing options, barriers to economic mobility, and other biases affecting housing thanks to their client list and Sandy's involvement with the YWCA, the Franklin County Blueprint for Reducing Poverty, and the Affordable Housing Alliance of Central Ohio. Sandy instituted an annual holiday season "Ugly Sweater" contest at EMH&T that has netted over \$25,000 for Homeport through employee and matching company funds;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That we hereby honor and recognize Sandy Doyle-Ahern with Homeport's 2020 Voice and Vision award at a program especially themed "Strong Women, Strong Foundation".