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To declare October 2020 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Columbus, and to recognize The James Cancer Center and Solove Research Institute at The Ohio State University for their advocacy and efforts to raise awareness regarding breast cancer in Columbus and Central Ohio.

**WHEREAS**, each year more than 230,000 American women are diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States. It is estimated that 276,480 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women in 2020 alone; and

**WHEREAS**, the risk of developing breast cancer increases with age. About 80% of women diagnosed with breast cancer each year are ages 45 or older, and about 43% are ages 65 or above; and

**WHEREAS**, there have been numerous studies which have shown that early detection saves lives and increases the options for treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, breast cancer is a more curable disease than it was 30 years ago due to increased awareness, improved treatment options, as well as improved mammography screenings, which helps detect breast cancer early; and

**WHEREAS**, One in eight women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime, and although it's the second most diagnosed cancer in women behind skin cancer, the five-year survival rate is more than 90 percent for breast cancers detected early thanks to enhanced screening and prevention methods as well as new, individualized and targeted therapies like those discovered The James Cancer Center and Solove Research Institute. There are more than 3.1 million breast cancer survivors living in the U.S. today; and

**WHEREAS**, The James Cancer Center and Solove Research Institute believes that there is no routine breast cancer and is consistently paving the way in learning more about what causes breast cancer - leading to even more highly targeted prevention, care, and treatment.; and

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby recognize the importance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and salutes The James Cancer Center and Solove Research Institute at The Ohio State University for their work at raising awareness regarding breast cancer in Columbus and Central Ohio.