

THOMAS J. ALLIO, JR.

WHEREAS, for more than 22 years, Tom Allio has served as the Diocesan Social Action Director for the Diocese of Cleveland where he has overseen five county based social action offices, Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Catholic Relief Services, the Diocesan Council on Global Solidarity, and the Diocesan Education and Training Center for Social Justice; and

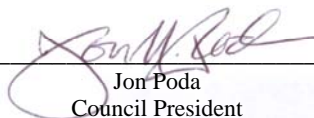
WHEREAS, for over 32 years, Mr. Allio has served as executive director of the Catholic Commission– Summit where he led advocacy efforts on the local, state and national levels, community development and social justice education; and

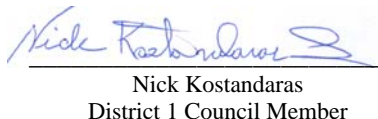
WHEREAS, Mr. Allio has provided organizing and technical assistance that has resulted in the establishment of 26 community organizations including: the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank; ACCESS, an shelter for homeless women and children; Good Samaritan Hunger Center; Summit AIDS Housing Corporation; Housing Network; Summit County Housing Trust Fund; Ocasek Project Help; the Women's Entrepreneurial Growth Organization; Cornerstone Housing Fund; Nazareth Housing Development Corporation; the First Friday Club of Greater Akron and Call to Renewal; and

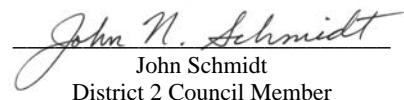
WHEREAS, Mr. Allio has served in several national capacities including two years as the chair of the Roundtable, a national association of Catholic Diocesan Social Action Directors; two years as the chair of the Catholic Conference of Ohio, Social Concerns Department, the Ohio Bishop's public policy arm; 15 years as a board member of Call to Renewal and Sojourners and for 32 years, he has been a writing consultant for several pastoral letters issued by the Ohio Bishops, as well as, the Ordinary of the Diocese of Cleveland; and

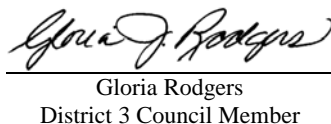
WHEREAS, Mr. Allio also served former Governor Bob Taft as a member of the Governor's Faith Based Initiative Board, has authored several articles that have appeared in local publications, and he and the Commissions of the Diocesan Social Action Office, the largest system of Catholic social action in the nation, have received numerous awards.

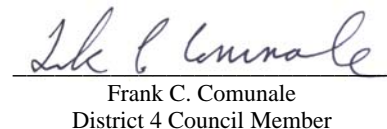
NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all and declared by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio that: This Council commends Mr. Thomas J. Allio, Jr. on his visionary leadership and commitment to social justice within our communities and with great pleasure we congratulate him upon his retirement and wish him the best in his future endeavors. We urge all citizens to join in honoring this fine, upstanding individual this 9th day of March in the year 2010.

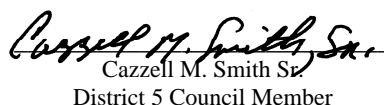

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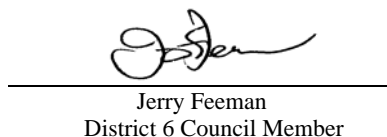

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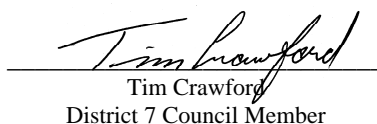

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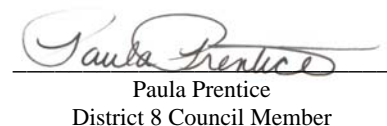

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