CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 25-0006R (Resolution)

Introduced by: President Cohen

Cosponsored by: Councilmembers Parker, Middleton, Torrence, Gray, Bullock, Porter,

Blanchard, Jones, Ramos, and Conway Introduced and adopted: January 27, 2025

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

1	Recognizing the Service of Gerald "Tony" Roberts
2 3	FOR the purpose of recognizing Gerald "Tony" Roberts for his 39 cumulative years of distinguished service to the City of Baltimore.
4	Recitals
5	Tony Roberts began working for the City of Baltimore's Department of Legislative
6	Reference in 1986. He entered the Department as a Storekeeper, responsible for inventory,
7	shelving, and retrieving City records in the City Archives warehouse. Tony held many roles in
8	the Department throughout the years, first taking on responsibility for microfilming records, then
9	assisting the City Archivist and Records Management Officer, and finally becoming the City
10	Records Management Officer, himself.
11	During his tenure at the Department, Tony developed an extensive understanding of the
12	structure and workings of Baltimore City government. As the institutional memory for the
13	Department, he always has a story to answer a colleague's question. This understanding
14	provides crucial background knowledge as new staff have joined the team.
15	Tony stayed with the City Archives through periods of great change, adapting to ebbs and
16	flows of attention, activity, and funding. He has demonstrated an exceptional ability to retain a
17	sense of humor in trying circumstances and his daily jokes have benefitted staff and volunteers
18	alike. At the end of his career, when many would be losing motivation, Tony has shown
19	enthusiasm for learning new skills and improving the records management program to surpass its
20	previous limitations.
21	It will be difficult to replace Tony's always professional demeanor, knowledge of the City
22	and its history, modesty, and wonderful personality; however, the City Council, on behalf of the
23	citizens of Baltimore, sincerely congratulates him on his well-deserved retirement, extends its
24	best wishes for his future "second act" in life, and thanks him for his years of dedicated service.
25	Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the City
26	Council recognizes Gerald "Tony" Roberts for his 39 cumulative years of distinguished service
27	to the City of Baltimore.
28	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mr. Roberts, the
29	Mayor, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.