City of College Park Proclamation in Recognition of Terry A. Schum

- WHEREAS, Ms. Terry Schum began her career with the City of College Park in February of 1986 as the Coordinator of Economic Development. As the City grew, Terry built the Department of Planning and Community Development. During her tenure, Terry served under 8 Mayors and 8 City Managers; and
- **WHEREAS,** over her 37-year career, Terry has been dedicated to the betterment of College Park and has championed improvements both large and small to make College Park a better place to live, work and play; and
- WHEREAS, Terry has facilitated the transformation of College Park by leading projects that created new parks, improved streetscapes, established historic districts and walking tours, added bike trails and sidewalks, and implemented a micro-mobility program with the University of Maryland.
- **WHEREAS,** Terry has worked closely with Prince George's County Planning Staff, the Planning Board, and numerous developers on nearly every new construction project in the City; and
- WHEREAS, Terry managed the preparation and adoption of the City's 1995 College Park
 Comprehensive Plan, the 2003 Housing Plan, the 2005 Economic Development Plan, the
 2011 Neighborhood Pattern Book, the 2016 Complete and Green Streets Plan, and the 2022
 Age-Friendly Action Plan, and, perhaps the most challenging of all, developed City
 comments on the recent Prince George's County Zoning Rewrite, which required herculean
 efforts to understand; and
- WHEREAS, Terry was a key participant in the establishment of the City's Downtown College Park
 Management Authority, the Advisory Planning Commission, the College Park City-University
 Partnership, the City's Green Team, the Downtown Farmers Market, and Food Truck Hub;
 and
- WHEREAS, Terry is highly regarded in her field and is widely known for her expertise. On behalf of the City, she has developed and maintained effective relationships with key stakeholders such as the University of Maryland, Prince George's County, the business community, and the development community; and
- **WHEREAS,** Terry is a skilled communicator with keen insight and analysis skills, a deep understanding of the City's history, and a personal commitment to represent and defend the City's interests with integrity and professionalism; and
- WHEREAS, Terry is leaving the City of College Park to begin a new and unchartered chapter of her life, and we wish her a long and happy retirement full of friends, family and travel. Her leadership, expertise and guidance will be missed by all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Denise C. Mitchell, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of College Park, join the City Council, residents, staff, colleagues, merchants, and friends in expressing our deep appreciation and gratitude to Terry A. Schum for your exemplary service and dedication to the City of College Park. Congratulations on a job well done.

Proclaimed this <u>21ST</u> day of <u>March,</u> 2023.

Denise C. Mitchell, Mayor Pro Tem