SERVICE COMMENDATION STAGE NATURE CENTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CARLA REEB

WHEREAS, In 2012 Carla Reeb became the Executive Director of the Stage Nature Center, after having led many other non-profit organizations. Carla's non-profit leadership spans more than 4 decades, with it beginning in Windsor, Ontario in 1983 when she became the administrator of a retirement home. Carla held that position for 8 years before becoming the director of development for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (now known as Breakthrough T1D) in 1991. She then took on a similar role for the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation before becoming the executive director for Learning Ally (formerly known as Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic) in 1998.

WHEREAS, **Carla** first joined the Stage Nature Center as a member of the Stage Nature Society Board in 2010 and in 2012 she was appointed as the first executive director. Between 2012 and 2024, under **Carla's** leadership, program attendance at the Stage Nature Center grew from 8,600 to 30,000.

WHEREAS, Carla has been a guiding light for the growth and success of the Stage Nature Center. Her dedication to education, building partnerships and engaging the community to create a stronger organization has allowed the Stage Nature Center to become a true gem in the City of Troy. Carla's commitment to providing programming for all ages, while ensuring everyone can experience childhood wonder when at the Center, has been truly inspiring; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN, That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy take this opportunity to express their appreciation to **Stage Nature Center Executive Director Carla Reeb** for her professionalism and her many contributions for the betterment of the Troy community; and

BE IT FURTHER KNOWN, That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy, City Management, and the residents of the City of Troy, extend wishes of prosperity, good health and happiness to **Carla** during her well-deserved retirement years.

Presented this 20 day of October 2025