## SERVICE COMMENDATION RECREATION DIRECTOR ELAINE BO

WHEREAS, Elaine Bo began her employment with the City of Troy on January 6, 1992 as a Recreation Supervisor with Troy's Parks and Recreation Department. Prior to Troy, Elaine worked as a Playground Supervisor with Woodhaven Parks and Recreation, Recreation Coordinator for the Downtown Recreation Commission in Algonac, and Youth Coordinator for West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation; and

**WHEREAS**, As a Troy Recreation Supervisor **Elaine** organized and administered enrichment classes, special events, summer day camps, babysitting service, ski program, year-round preschool, tennis and dance programs. She was responsible for a program budget of \$750,000; preparing and maintaining records, reports, and promotional materials; and hiring, training and supervising 45 part-time/seasonal employees and up to 100 volunteers; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2000 through 2011, **Elaine** also worked as a Building Supervisor for the Community Center, supervising the full-time custodial and front desk staff, processing permits, and handling patron concerns in addition to her programming responsibilities. She was one of the Recreation Team members for the design and construction of the 130,000 square foot Community Center; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2002, **Elaine** became responsible for designing the quarterly Recreation Department magazine and marketing the department. In 2011, **Elaine** took on the responsibility for organizing, administering, and marketing all fitness programs, personal trainers, massage therapists, and fitness center pass sales; and

**WHEREAS**, On December 21, 2013, **Elaine** became the City of Troy's Recreation Director working tirelessly with her staff to provide outstanding recreation programs, classes, events, and services to the Troy community. Some of **Elaine's** major accomplishments include securing the DMC agreement in 2017 to provide a clinic within TCC; securing long term contracts with Troy Racquet Club, Indigo Golf and Troy Nature Society; successfully launching the Dog Park memberships, coordinated with IT, DPW and Finance Departments; and meeting budget expectations every year with the exception of COVID in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Elaine received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Parks and Recreation Administration with a concentration in Community Recreation from Central Michigan University. During her career Elaine served as a member of the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association for many years, and served as Board Member from 1998-2000; and

WHEREAS, Elaine retired from the City of Troy on March 5, 2021 after 29 years of dedicated service and the utmost respect from the Troy employees, Community Center patrons, and countless members of the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association; and

**WHEREAS**, **Elaine** will now enjoy more time with her husband **Keith** (married 31 years on November 11), daughter **Sarah** and son **Greg**; as well as traveling, spending time up north on the water, finishing scrapbooking projects, and long walks with Tucker, their golden retriever;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN**, That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy take this opportunity to express their appreciation to **Recreation Director Elaine Bo** for her professionalism and her many contributions to the Troy Recreation Department for the betterment of the community; and

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

Presented the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2021.