City of Birmingham
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Mr. Richard Hobson, also known as "Cousin Don", assisted in the creation of Birmingham's first and only Farmers Market in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Cousin Don has served as its Market Master, representing the interests of the City and the Principal Shopping District since that time; and

WHEREAS, Cousin Don has played an instrumental role in shaping the market and attracting and retaining the vendors that we have today; and

WHEREAS, Cousin Don has served as the voice and the face of the market in the local news media and to local businesses; and

WHEREAS, through these efforts, Cousin Don went far beyond the scope of his duties to ensure a strong and vibrant Birmingham Farmers Market; and

WHEREAS, Cousin Don has announced his intention to retire as Market Master;

THEREFORE, the City of Birmingham does hereby proclaim its gratitude for all of the contributions made by Cousin Don for the betterment of the Birmingham Farmers' Market and its patrons.

BE IT RESOLVED that I, Stuart Lee Sherman, Mayor for the City of Birmingham, extend my appreciation and gratitude on behalf of the Birmingham City Commission and the residents of Birmingham, to Richard "Cousin Don" Hobson for his dedicated service to the City of Birmingham's Farmers' Market, and extend our best wishes for all of his future endeavors.

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Stuart Lee Sherman, Mayor