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Proclamation recognizing **Levin Furniture and Mattress** as it celebrates 100 years of providing superior quality furniture and services to all its customers.

**WHEREAS**, in 1920, Sam Levin and his wife, Jessie opened the first **Levin Furniture and Mattress** in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, at first, their store sold an array of items ranging from hardware, furniture, window screens, and three-piece suites; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1943, Leonard Levin, Sam and Jessie Levin's only son became owner of the store. Under his leadership, a major expansion occurred that put the family-owned company on the map; and

**WHEREAS**, Leonard's son, Howard Levin entered the family business in 1978. Under Howard's leadership, Levin's opened five full-service stores across Allegheny County. In 1989, upon Leonard's passing, Howard was named President and continued to expand **Levin's** for years to come. In 1992, Howard opened three Levin's stores in Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, after Howard's untimely death, Robert Levin, Howard's younger brother, took over the duties and demands of the nine furniture stores and eventually growing **Levin's** to the 18 stores it is today. As current president of **Levin's**, Robert continues his brother's dream and traditions of his grandfather, father, and mother by maintaining the family tradition of service, quality, and competitive pricing for our customers; and

**WHEREAS**, upon his retirement in 2017, Robert Levin sold the company to Art Van Furniture; and

**WHEREAS**, sadly, like many businesses affected by the coronavirus pandemic, **Levin's** filed for bankruptcy. In a quest to save his family's business, Robert Levin successfully negotiated a deal in bankruptcy court to buy back the **Levin** brand. Robert Levin plans to rebuild the family furniture empire his grandfather Sam Levin founded in Mt. Pleasant in 1920, with an emphasis on restoring its reputation for customer service;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Council Member Bob Macey, do hereby congratulate and join in celebration with **Levin Furniture and Mattress** as it celebrates 100 years of providing

superior quality furniture and services to all its customers.

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF***, I have hereunto caused the Seal of the County of Allegheny to be affixed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.