

**SERVICE COMMENDATION  
SUSAN LEIRSTEIN**

**WHEREAS, Susan Leirstein** began her career with the City of Troy on May 16, 1988, when she was hired as an Account Clerk in the Finance Department. In 1990 she was promoted to Administrative Aide in the Streets Division of the Public Works Department where she met her husband Brian; and

**WHEREAS, Susan** was promoted to Buyer in the Purchasing Department in 1995; reclassified to the Purchasing Systems Administrator in 2002; and promoted to the Director of Purchasing in 2007; and

**WHEREAS, Susan's** dedication to public purchasing extends beyond the City limits. She has been active in many purchasing organizations such as the Michigan Intergovernmental Trade Network, Michigan Public Purchasing Officers Association, and National Institute of Governmental Purchasing. **Susan** has also been a trainer to her co-workers for JDE and our current New World System. During her career, Troy's Purchasing Department received the prestigious "Achievement of Excellence in Procurement" award from the National Purchasing Institute eight times in a row; and

**WHEREAS,** Though quiet and unassuming in her day-to-day work, **Susan's** dedication to the City and our purchasing practices, as well as her reputation for great customer service is well recognized. **Susan** has a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting, as well as certifications as a Certified Public Purchasing Buyer and a Certified Public Procurement Officer. **Susan** has saved the City of Troy a lot of money in her 18 years with the Purchasing Department; and

**WHEREAS, Susan's** commitment was very evident when she came back as the part-time Purchasing Director one week after retiring and worked until June 21, 2013 giving the City time to hire and train a new Purchasing Manager and Buyer. **Susan** will now officially retire from the City of Troy with 25 years of dedicated service; and

**WHEREAS,** In her retirement, **Susan** will have more time to spend with her husband **Brian**, daughter **Hillary**, son-in-law **Bob**, grandkids **Zachery and Lauren**, and son **Nathan** and daughter-in-law **Carolina**. She will also be able to devote more time to playing golf, and to her and Brian's new venture – managing Laundromats;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN,** That the City Council of the City of Troy takes this opportunity to express its appreciation to **Susan Leirstein** for her many contributions to the betterment of the City; and

**BE IT FURTHER KNOWN** That the City Council of the City of Troy, on behalf of themselves, City management and the citizens of the City of Troy, extends wishes of prosperity, good health and happiness to **Susan** during her retirement years.

Presented the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2013.