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MICHELLE HERITAGE NAMED AMONG 2021 WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT BY YWCA COLUMBUS

(Columbus, OH) – <u>Seven women were announced in January</u> as the 2021 Women of Achievement, an annual title awarded by YWCA Columbus. Michelle Heritage was named among them in honor of her contributions to the community in advancing the mission of the YWCA – to empower women and eliminate racism.

YWCA held its annual Women of Achievement event virtually today – the second time it has been held online.

For 36 years, YWCA Columbus and the community have gathered during lunch to honor a select group of Columbus women who motivate with their example of determination, generosity, and courage. The event honors those who embody YWCA's commitment to empower women: individuals who impact their professions, uplift their communities, fight bias and inspire others. For more than three decades, YWCA Columbus has been shining a bright light on the courage and compassion of these women leaders.

Community Shelter Board leads a coordinated, community effort to make sure everyone has a place to call home in Columbus and Franklin County. CSB brings together 15 agencies across the community to work together as a cohesive system for change, driving effective strategy and productive collaboration to achieve the best outcomes for people facing homelessness. With the support of a compassionate community, its system of care served 14,000 people last year with homelessness prevention, shelter, street outreach, rapid re-housing, and permanent supportive housing.

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