



Legislation Text

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To Recognize May 9-15, 2022 as Economic Development Week

WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council has designated May 9-15, 2022 as Economic Development Week to recognize and highlight the work of economic development professionals, investors, companies and local workforces for the positive impact they have in communities; and

WHEREAS, economic development in the City of Columbus help create better jobs and an improved quality of life for residents by seeking opportunities for equitable, sustainable economic growth; and

WHEREAS, since 2015, more than 171 companies have announced expansions and locations in the City of Columbus, committing to create 26,144 new jobs, retain 14,861 jobs and invest \$5,883,616,657 in real property improvements, helping drive the City's strong job creation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus Department of Development led the creation of the Columbus Small Business Agenda in 2019, driving investments in entrepreneurs and small businesses, helping foster a sense of innovation in the Columbus business community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus Department of Development continues to lead a robust Public Private Partnership program which invests in our neighborhood public infrastructure in partnership with private development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus Department of Development is dedicated to serving the needs of city residents and businesses as our community grows, leveraging housing, planning, zoning, land redevelopment, and economic development strategies to promote prosperity; and

WHEREAS, in partnership with economic development professionals and its partners, the City of Columbus aspires for every resident to earn a wage that supports their household; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council recognizes May 9-15, 2022 as Economic Development Week to highlight the hard work and positive impact economic development professionals, Columbus based businesses, and the local workforce have in Columbus communities.