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To honor and recognize May 2015 as Community Action Month in Columbus.

**WHEREAS**, Ohio's Community Action Agencies were created when the Economic Opportunity Act was signed in 1964; and

**WHEREAS**, for more than 50 years, Community Action Agencies have promoted self-sufficiency for those with limited income and are critical partners in the continuing effort to reform the welfare system as we know it; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the 2014 State of Ohio Poverty Report, 16 percent of Ohioans, or an estimated 1,797,000 people, are living in poverty, including an estimated 208,639 Franklin County residents; and

**WHEREAS**, those with limited income deserve the opportunity to improve their lives and their living conditions, and we as a community share a responsibility to ensure that all residents are able to live with dignity; and

**WHEREAS**, IMPACT Community Action's mission is to reduce poverty by providing hope-inspiring help and real opportunities for self-sufficiency through customized programs designed to meet the unique needs of specific communities that move household from crisis to stability, stability to empowerment and empowerment to self-sufficiency; and

**WHEREAS**, IMPACT Community Action has made important contributions to improve the quality of life for individuals and families living in the City of Columbus by providing innovative and cost effective programs; and

**WHEREAS**, IMPACT Community Action has administered critical services, including workforce development, technology training and work-readiness programs, the Home Energy Assistance Program and Home Weatherization Assistance Program, re-entry assistance and mobile medical healthcare services; and

**WHEREAS**, IMPACT Community Action honors the Pledge of Community Action which is to change people's lives, improve communities, embody the spirit of hope, and to make America a better place to live; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

That this council does hereby recognize May 2015 as Community Action Month in Columbus and commends IMPACT Community Action for their ongoing efforts to help families achieve stability and self-sufficiency.