



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To Recognize the 2024 Cinema Columbus Film Festival and Honor Butch Reynolds

**WHEREAS**, the Cinema Columbus Film Festival is a valuable asset to the City of Columbus, partnering with central Ohio's premier cinemas and exhibition venues to create the region's grandest annual film event - a centerpiece of arts and culture in Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, April 24, 2024 is the opening night of the Cinema Columbus Film Festival, commencing a five-day celebration of independent film and filmmakers at venues throughout Columbus and central Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cinema Columbus Film Festival is a unique annual event that strengthens the arts community, increases Columbus's profile as a creative and culturally rich city, and supports local venues and independent creators; and

**WHEREAS**, the opening film of the 2024 Cinema Columbus Film Festival, *False Positive*, tells the story of Butch Reynolds, an Olympic athlete and The Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame inductee, whose career was derailed by a faulty drug test in 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus is proud to support the 2024 Cinema Columbus Film Festival, thanks all of the staff of the Festival, CAPA, and venues across the city for their work to host this incredible event, and encourages all residents to explore the diverse range of films in this year's lineup; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus honors Butch Reynolds for his exceptional athletic achievements, and recognizes his successful efforts to clear his name in the face of an unjust accusation; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council recognizes Cinema Columbus, celebrates the opening of the 2024 Cinema Columbus Film Festival, and honors Butch Reynolds by declaring April 24, 2024 Butch Reynolds Day.