

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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To honor and recognize Aminah Robinson for her decades of creative achievement and contributions to the arts.

WHEREAS, Aminah Robinson is a native and lifelong resident of Columbus who received formal training at the Columbus Arts School, now the Columbus College of Art and Design; and

WHEREAS, much of Aminah's work is her interpretation of the stories that she heard from family elders and her childhood memories, and is prompted by her belief in the African concept of *sankofa*, the necessity to understand the past in order to move forward; and

WHEREAS, in her work, Aminah has documented both the physical reality of historic Columbus neighborhoods and the spiritual essence of those who once lived there; and

WHEREAS, Aminah's work earned her a prestigious MacArthur Fellowship in 2004, and has been widely exhibited and acclaimed, with many of her paintings, drawings, sculptures, and prints in the collection of the Columbus Museum of Art; and

WHEREAS, as she celebrates her seventieth birthday, Aminah Robinson's decades of work are a testament to her creative genius, and she remains one of our nation's foremost and finest storytellers; now, therefore

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

That this Council hereby honors and recognizes Aminah Robinson for her decades of creative achievement and contributions to the