

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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To recognize November as Lung Cancer Awareness Month and to thank Columbus Public Health and the LUNGevity Foundation for their prevention and awareness efforts.

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council and Columbus Public Health are dedicated to informing and helping people living with lung cancer or at risk for the disease; and

WHEREAS, Lung cancer takes more lives annually than breast, prostate, colon, and pancreatic cancers combined, making the research for an early diagnostic test all the more important to help save lives; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no standard screening for lung cancer, and funding for lung cancer research falls far short of that for other forms of cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, this year alone in Franklin County, over 700 people will be diagnosed with lung cancer and nearly 600 people will die from this horrible disease; and

WHEREAS, the LUNGevity Foundation has a history of excellence in lung cancer awareness, scientific research, and advocacy, organizing events across the country to support lung cancer survivors and their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, the LUNGevity Foundation has the largest grants awards program for lung cancer research among private lung cancer nonprofit organizations in the United States, awarding over \$5 million in the past two years alone to the most promising research projects; and

WHEREAS, The Breathe Deep walks and runs organized by LUNGevity are their nationwide signature events, launched by the foundation to raise public awareness and critical funds needed for lung cancer research and

**WHEREAS**, this past Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> The Breathe Deep Columbus Walk event, coordinated by lung cancer survivor Jose Rodriguez, was held in Genoa Park to raise awareness and funds; now therefore,

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS,

That this Council does hereby recognize November 2013 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Columbus and thank Columbus Public Health and the LUNGevity Foundation for their support and their efforts to prevent lung cancer by raising awareness regarding this disease.