

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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To honor and recognize Elder Eddie Tyes Parker, III as he celebrates his 10<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary. **WHEREAS**, Eddie Tyes Parker, III is a native of Cleveland, Ohio and represents the third generation of powerful Parker preachers. He is the son of Superintendent Emeritus Eddie T. Parker, Jr. and Mother Overseer Clara L. Parker and the grandson of the late Superintendent Eddie Tyes Parker, Sr. and Mother Flora Parker; and

WHEREAS, Elder Parker, III acknowledged his calling to Preach the Gospel at the early age of nine (9). As a teenager, he served as the Assistant Pastor to his father at The Parker Memorial Church of God in Christ of Cleveland, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, as a young Evangelist, Elder Parker, III was faithfully active as he traveled and conducted revivals while he participated in various conferences and conventions across the United States; and

WHEREAS, Elder Parker, III served as the Vice President of the Youth, Evangelistic, and Missions Departments of the Ohio North First Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Church of God in Christ; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, Elder Parker, III obeyed his heavenly and earthly father and became the Founder, President/CEO and Senior Pastor of The Word Church of God in Christ, Inc. in Cleveland, Ohio. In 2001, under his God-given vision, Elder Parker, III established The Word Church of God in Christ in Columbus and The Word Institute (now, The World Church) in Delaware, Ohio. He describes the Word Churches as "Three Churches - One Word"; and

**WHEREAS,** in May 2002, during the Word Crusade, Elder Parker, III was officially elevated to the Office of Superintendent of The Word District, and Consecrated to serve as the Episcopal Assistant to Bishop Beuford John Terry, Prelate of The Ohio Northeast Jurisdiction and eventually rejoined the Cleveland Church in the North Jurisdiction under Bishop Walter Earl Jordan, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Elder Parker, III is widely known and respected as an anointed man of integrity, knowledge, and character. He has captivated and blessed congregations with his exceptional gift to uniquely preach and teach the word of God and his ministry is highlighted by a history of reaching people for Christ, discipling believers, and preaching the Word and his pulpit ministry co; and

**WHEREAS**, Elder Parker, III is the devoted husband of Teresa Parker and the proud father of three lovely children. His pulpit ministry continues to be a major focus at The Word Church where he delivers biblical messages with an emphasis on Evangelism, Education, Exaltation, Edification and equipping; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby honor and recognize Elder Eddie Tyes Parker, III as he celebrates his 10<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary on October 9, 2011.