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To declare August 26, 2014 to be National Electrical Lineworker Appreciation Day in Columbus, Ohio

WHEREAS, lineworkers are employed by the local, state, and federal government, as well as by all utility companies across the country, numbering over 100,000 in the United States alone; and

WHEREAS, electrical line work is one of the most dangerous occupations in the United States, in which, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the year 2012 showed 23 deaths out of every 100,000 workers in the industry; and

WHEREAS, lineworkers serve as first responders after natural disasters, and are an invaluable component in response to hurricanes, tornados, blizzards, and other severe weather events that disrupt utilities; and

WHEREAS, lineworkers respond not only to local emergencies, but are often called to other cities and states to serve local communities facing weather events and natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the value of these workers who take on this hazardous occupation and who are critical to keep electricity flowing to Columbus homes, hospitals, schools, and businesses; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby declare August 26, 2014 to be National Electrical Lineworker Appreciation Day in the City of Columbus, and recognizes all those who embrace this dangerous line of work to keep electricity flowing all across our City.