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To honor and recognize the UniverSoul Circus and to declare Tuesday, August 26, 2003, as UniverSoul Circus Day in the City of Columbus.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus welcomes the UniverSoul Circus back to Columbus, Ohio, August 26 - September 1, 2003; and,

WHEREAS, the UniverSoul Circus is the first circus in a century to be completely owned and operated by African-Americans. It features a troupe of international performers of African descent, recruited from some of the world's best-known circuses; and,

WHEREAS, the UniverSoul Circus is a wholesome world class family entertainment attraction. It is a fast-paced, high energy, hip-hop interactive show that features gospel, jazz and blues music with state-of-the-art computerized special effects, a rock-style laser show and high-tech sound. This Circus emphasizes family values and positive messages about education, empowerment and self-esteem; and,

WHEREAS, this Council pays tribute to the founder of the UniverSoul Big Top Circus, Mr. Cedric Walker, for his vision which has turned into an artistic and technical triumph. Mr. Walker is committed to placing his circus in African-American communities which have long been underserved by the entertainment industry. All of the people involved in its maintenance, from raising the big top to policing the circus grounds, are contracted from the communities where the circus touches down; and,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: that this Council does hereby honor and recognize the UniverSoul Circus and hereby declares Tuesday, August 26, 2003, UniverSoul Circus Day in the City of Columbus .