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To recognize and congratulate Robert A. Davis for receiving the 2013 John T. Greene, II Labor Award upon the occasion of the 26th Annual Labor's Salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

WHEREAS, Robert A. Davis is a native of Akron, Ohio and graduated from the University of Akron in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis has a long family history of labor and political involvement which he has continued to build upon. His father, Edward Davis, was the former local president of the United Auto Workers and the first African American to be elected to public office in Akron as a City Councilman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis began working at the Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority after high school and became involved with AFSCME starting in 1982. He held various positions in Local 2517 before serving as president from 1984-1988 and again from 1994-1998; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Mr. Davis became the Associate Director of Ohio AFSCME United representing the members of AFSCME Ohio Council 8, the Ohio Association of Public School Employees, and AFSCME Retiree Chapter 1184; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, Mr. Davis became the Political and Legislative Director of AFSCME Ohio Council 8, AFL-CIO; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis is also a member of the Board of Trustees of Progress Ohio, the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists, the NAACP Delaware County Ohio Chapter, and the Ohio Lobbying Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis' commitment to labor rights reflects the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. His contributions and achievements make him deserving of the 2013 John T. Greene, II Labor Award; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize and congratulate Robert A. Davis for receiving the 2013 John T. Greene, II Labor Award and thank him for his continued service and dedication to labor rights.