

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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To recognize Stonewall Columbus for their 33rd year of service to our community, and to celebrate the 2014 Pride Parade and Festival.

WHEREAS, Stonewall Columbus was founded in June of 1981, on the 12th anniversary of the historic Stonewall Riots in New York City; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, the organization has provided programming and services that enhance the well-being and visibility of Columbus's vibrant and diverse gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning, and allied (GLBTQA) community; and

WHEREAS, every June, Stonewall Columbus hosts the Pride holiday, a month-long celebration that culminates in the annual Pride Parade and Festival, which attract over 300,000 attendees while drawing millions of dollars to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, this year's Pride Festival - with its numerous events, activities, and vendors - will be held June 20th and 21st at Goodale Park, while the Pride parade will step off downtown at 11am on the 21st; and

WHEREAS, beyond bringing crowds and dollars to the city and region by hosting this annual event, Stonewall Columbus embodies the pride, courage, and aspiration of a community that has contributed so much to the city of Columbus; now, therefore

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

That this Council recognizes Stonewall Columbus for their thirty-three years of service to Central Ohio's GLBTQA community, and celebrates the 2014 Pride Parade and Festival, being held June 20th and 21st, 2014.