

Legislation Text

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To declare June 2014 to be Men's Health Month in the City of Columbus, and recognize The Mu Iota Graduate Chapter of Columbus, Ohio an Unincorporated Association of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated for its work raising awareness of men's health issues.

WHEREAS, the month of June is annually observed as Men's Health Month across the nation with increased screenings, health fairs and other health education and outreach activities; and

WHEREAS, educating the public about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and the early detection of health problems will help to reduce mortality rates from disease; and

WHEREAS, recognizing and preventing men's health problems is not just a men's issue, but also a family issue; and

WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to have a seven-year lower average life expectancy than women; and

WHEREAS, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. founded in 1911 was the first international fraternal organization founded on the campus of a historically black college and is bound together by friendship to uphold the cardinal principles of "manhood, scholarship, perseverance and uplift"; and

WHEREAS, some of the great members include Dr. Ernest E. Just, Langston Hughes, Dr. Carter G, Woodson, Percy Julian and Dr. Charles R. Drew; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, June 28, 2014, the Mu Iota Graduate Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi, in conjunction with Christ United Methodist, will host the 2nd Annual Dr. Charles R. Drew Community Health Fair for Men's Health Month; and

WHEREAS, this Council commends the Mu Iota Graduate Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi for its efforts, and recognizes the vital importance of public awareness initiatives that inform our community about men's health issues; now, therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby declare June 2014 to be Men's Health Month in the City of Columbus, and recognize The Mu Iota Chapter for its work raising awareness of men's health issues.