

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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To declare March 17, 2009 St. Patrick's Day in Columbus, Ohio

WHEREAS, for more than 100 years the Irish of Columbus have promoted and shared their culture and heritage; and

WHEREAS, many of the strong men and women of earlier generations fled The Great Hunger in Ireland to come to a new life in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, so many of our proud Irish ancestors faced economic, religious and social persecution with heads held high and shoulders squared; and

WHEREAS, those same Irish survived and prospered and built the infrastructure of Columbus, as well as large families that spread from old Irish Broadway out to the North, South, East, and West ends of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, we remember the contributions of those who came before us, AND those who stand with us, and thank God for the good fortune to be Irish; and

WHEREAS, our strength is in our people, and our love and care for one another, and is reflected by our 2009 Irish American honorees; and

WHEREAS, the Shamrock Club of Columbus and its President, Patrick W. Graham, have lead the Club forward in honoring and celebrating our Irish heritage and culture; and

WHEREAS, the Shamrock Club was founded in 1936 and has grown to include more than 2,000 members, and offers a wide variety of Irish cultural events and activities every week of the year; and

WHEREAS, together, as Clan na nGael, One Family Irish, we recognize the contributions of the Irish community to the City of Columbus; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby declare March 17, 2009 St. Patrick's Day in Columbus, Ohio.