

## City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To commemorate the 9th Annual African American Male Wellness Walk and to honor its organizers, supporters, volunteers, and participants.

WHEREAS, Columbus City Council is honored to recognize occasions of outstanding significance; and

WHEREAS, it was recognized by John H. Gregory, that African American Males have been dying earlier and at a higher rate from preventable illnesses than any other ethnic group; and

WHEREAS, the African American Male Wellness Walk, AAMWW was founded in Columbus, Ohio by John H. Gregory in 2004 in response to a health crisis in the Urban Community; and

WHEREAS, The Five Mile Walk/Run continues to be a dramatic illustration of the importance of taking control of African American Male's Health and Wellness; and

**WHEREAS**, African American Male Health and Wellness has become a priority throughout the State of Ohio and since 2013 now includes walks in Akron, Dayton, Toledo, Warren and Youngstown; and

**WHEREAS,** The AAMWW is the largest urban health initiative of its kind in Central Ohio providing the largest numbers of Free Screenings of any event of its type; and

WHEREAS, this is the 9th Annual African American Male Wellness Walk; and

WHEREAS, The African American Male Wellness Walk will be held at Livingston Park on Saturday, August 10th, with the Five Mile Walk/Run stepping off at 9:00 a.m. opening with Free Screenings beginning at 7:00 a.m.; now, therefore

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

That this Council hereby commemorates John H. Gregory and the 9th Annual African American Male Wellness Walk and expresses our appreciation for its organizers, supporters, volunteers, and participants.