



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To recognize October 24, 2011 as Food Day in Columbus.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus joins together with communities around America to celebrate Food Day on October 24, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus is strongly committed to healthy eating and active living as part of its comprehensive plan to tackle the obesity epidemic and other chronic diseases such as diabetes; and

**WHEREAS**, the commitment to increase access to nutritious food has significantly grown during the last several years; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus is pro-actively improving city policies and implementing initiatives to support healthy, affordable food grown in a sustainable way; and

**WHEREAS**, Columbus is home to 250 community gardens and is providing water conservation tools and other equipment to gardeners; and

**WHEREAS**, the number of farmer's markets are increasing including the Columbus Public Health Farmer's Markets, that serves over 8,000 families annually in underserved neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Food Day brings together numerous partners and residents in Central Ohio with a common interest in food issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the these partners include Columbus City Schools, Franklin County, Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Local Matters, the Mid Ohio Food Bank, communities, residents, and many more; and

**WHEREAS**, Local Foods Week preceded Food Day with dozens of activities, restaurant discounts and events; and

**WHEREAS**, every day is Food Day in central Ohio; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize October 24, 2011 as Food Day in Columbus and urge all residents to change the way they think about food and eat healthy, affordable food grown in a sustainable way.