



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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*To recognize the week of January 31, 2010 as Civitan International Clergy Appreciation Week*

**WHEREAS**, the mission of Civitan worldwide is to build good citizenship by providing a volunteer organization of clubs dedicated to serving individual and community needs; and

**WHEREAS**, Clergy Appreciation Week was inspired by the selfless courage and personal sacrifice demonstrated by four World War II chaplains who gave their lives on February 3, 1943 so that four soldiers on the sinking *USS Dorchester* would survive; and

**WHEREAS**, Clergy Appreciation Week is a significant Civitan event throughout North America, whereby Civitan clubs show appreciation to the clergy of all faiths; and

**WHEREAS**, Clergy Appreciation Week aims to promote world brotherhood and religious understanding among all people, regardless of religious persuasion; and

**WHEREAS**, Civitan Clubs from Central Ohio, have taken the initiative to set aside a special time to recognize and honor Columbus-area clergy of all faiths; and

**WHEREAS**, ministers, priests, rabbis and spiritual leaders of all faiths and denominations have dedicated their lives to service; and

**WHEREAS**, many Columbus-area citizens have and continue to benefit from the presence and work of clergy in the community; now, therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby recognize the week of January 31, 2010 as Clergy Appreciation Week and supports the mission and work Civitan International.