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To celebrate the inaugural year of the Cristo Rey High School and to recognize its educational contributions to our community.

WHEREAS, the Cristo Rey High School, a Catholic college-preparatory high school opened its doors in the fall of 2012 to empower young men and women from economically challenged families and persons of all faiths to graduate from college, achieving a lifetime of success; and

WHEREAS, Cristo Rey Columbus will be the 26th Cristo Rey high school in the United States to join this network of Catholic high schools - making a college-preparatory education accessible to students from some of the most challenging economic circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Cristo Rey High School is part of a network of schools established by John P. Foley, S.J and is based on an innovative business model whereby students work five days each month in an entry-level job at a professional company - with fees from this work being redirected to underwrite tuition costs; and

WHEREAS, the Cristo Rey network graduated 98% of its seniors in 2012, with each being accepted into a college or university; and

WHEREAS, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation described the hope and optimism of the Cristo Rey education and environment as, “ magical ”; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus believes that each student should have a quality education that places them in a promising situation; leading to the creation of a vibrant workforce and an educated democracy; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

That this Council does hereby commemorate Cristo Rey Columbus, a valuable asset in our community for the 2013 inaugural year of educational service in the City of Columbus.