



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To Commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission.

Whereas, The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) serves as a catalyst for regional change and growth through sound planning practices, innovative services, forums and programs for the Columbus community; and

Whereas, MORPC was originally established as the Franklin County Planning Commission in 1943 to deal with post World War II issues such as establishing water and sewer lines in the county's rural areas; and

Whereas, since its conception, MORPC membership has grown to include over 40 local governments, representing over 1.6 million citizens in the region; and

Whereas, the Commission has pursued several major projects benefiting the region including:

- The formation and funding of the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA),
- Developing home weatherization services with Columbia Gas,
- Conducting Franklin County greenways planning,
- Creating model ordinances for telecommunications,
- Producing downtown transportation plans,
- Operating an 11-county regional ridesharing service,
- Providing interim management services to the Franklin County Convention Facilities Authority; and

Whereas, MORPC's work is seen every day through planning, programming and public policy in the areas of economic development, energy, environment, housing, transportation and land use; now, therefore

**Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Columbus:**

That this council does hereby support the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's mission to serve as the regional voice for sustainability and economic prosperity in Central Ohio.

**Be it further resolved,** that we do recognize and commemorate MORPC for 40 years of service to the City of Columbus.