



City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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To congratulate the Charity Newsies organization for 100 years of benevolent service and dedication to the children of Columbus.

WHEREAS, the Sunday before Christmas 1907, 50 friends and businessmen walked the streets of Columbus with a special edition of the *Ohio Sun*, selling their first "charity" paper. Today, over 700 volunteers carry on the tradition of the founding Newsies by selling a special edition of the organization's newspaper the second Saturday of every December for any amount people want to give; and

WHEREAS, Charity Newsies serves students attending public, private, and charter schools and is committed to helping students succeed by providing them with free, new clothing; and

WHEREAS, Charity Newsies members volunteer more than 15,000 hours annually, staffing the organization's warehouse, making appointments for children to receive free clothing, and visiting families in their homes to stress the value of education; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Charity Newsies is to ensure that no child is deprived of an education due to a lack of adequate clothing. Recently, the Newsies have expanded their vision by vigilantly working to ensure each child they help receives a book bag and dictionary; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize Charity Newsies for 100 years of dedication to education and for meeting the essential needs of the children of Columbus.

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

That we do hereby commend Charity Newsies President Pat O'Reilly and Charity Newsies Chairman Pat Elgin, whose leadership has helped make Charity Newsies one of the most respected and cherished philanthropic organizations in Ohio.