

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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To recognize Caribbean American Heritage Month During June

WHEREAS, Columbus is home to more than 155,000 residents who were born in nations including Bhutan, Somalia, Democratic Republic of Congo, India, and Mexico, among others, with roughly 8% of the City's total population being foreign born; and

WHEREAS, immigrants accounted for 29.5 percent of the population growth in Columbus between 2014 and 2019; and

WHEREAS, in June 2006, President George W. Bush issued a proclamation recognizing the significance of Caribbean people and their descendants in the history and culture of the United States. 2022 marks the fourteenth celebration of June as National Caribbean American Heritage Month.

WHEREAS, Caribbean American Heritage Month is celebrated every June as millions of Caribbean Americans strengthen our country through their vibrant cultures, traditions, languages, and values. In recognition of National Caribbean-American Heritage Month, we honor the immeasurable ways Caribbean Americans have added to our American dream; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus strives to be a welcoming place for all, including its large population of immigrants; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS**: That this Council does hereby recognize Caribbean American Heritage Month during the month of June.