



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To recognize and celebrate Columbus Recreation and Parks Department's Accreditation from The National Park and Recreation Association's (NRPA) Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA).

**WHEREAS**, The National Park and Recreation Association's (NRPA) Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA) delivers quality assurance and improvement to accredited park and recreation departments throughout the United States by helping them build a comprehensive management system of operational best practices; and

**WHEREAS**, this system improves their infrastructures; increases efficiency in all activities; and demonstrates accountability within their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, CAPRA is the only national accreditation of park and recreation departments and is a valuable measure of a department's overall quality of operation, management, and service to the community; achieving CAPRA accreditation demonstrates that the department and its staff provide the community with the highest level of service; and

**WHEREAS**, agencies are reaccredited every 5 years, ensuring a long-term commitment to excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, only 6 percent of agencies have earned accreditation, placing Columbus Recreation and Parks in an elite group; and

**WHEREAS**, accreditation is a rigorous process; the team who worked on pulling together the submission spent countless hours, in addition to keeping their work moving; and

**WHEREAS**, the department earned this accreditation for the residents of Columbus - they deserve access to the best in programs, facilities and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, recreation and parks services enhance the quality of life in our community, and this honor recognizes the hard work and dedication of our staff, who come in every day and give their best to serve the residents of Columbus; the staff is among the best in the industry; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this council does hereby recognize and celebrate Columbus Recreation and Parks Department's Accreditation from The National Park and Recreation Association's Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies and express gratitude to all CRPD staff for the outstanding service to the residents of Columbus, Ohio.