



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To honor and celebrate Clarence D. Lumpkin on the occasion of his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**WHEREAS**, Clarence D. Lumpkin was born in 1924 and has exemplified a deep and devoted love for his family and community; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Lumpkin served his country admirably in World War II, being discharged in 1945 after serving in New Guinea; and

**WHEREAS**, upon his arrival in Columbus, Mr. Lumpkin entered the local workforce as a head spotter and cleaner for Swan Cleaners, leaving in 1969 to become a Columbus Contract Compliance Officer for the federal Model Cities program; and

**WHEREAS**, two years later he took a job with the State of Ohio and in December 1992, he retired as Chief of the Enforcement Division in the Department of Highway Safety's Bureau of Motor Vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, for over 45 years, Clarence Lumpkin has exemplified the high ideals of service to the Linden Community by helping form the Community Development Block Grant Task Force (CDBG), working with the City to separate storm and sanitation sewers to stop basement flooding and leading anti-drug marches throughout Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Lumpkin has been instrumental in making Linden the first inner-city community with lights on every residential street, guiding the South Linden Area Commission, the South Linden Leadership Group and the Greater Linden Development Corporation as well as sharing a vision to improve the Linden area; and

**WHEREAS**, he has been a community champion; in 1974 he shared a speech with City Council stating, "We the citizens of this community feel that a place which would be a point of pride needs to be developed. This point would motivate more interest and give this community a sense of direction as to accomplishments that can be made when every effort is put forth to work with our officials for something worthwhile." Over 30 years later, that vision became a reality with the construction of the Clarence D. Lumpkin Point of Pride Building on the northeast corner of Cleveland and Eleventh Avenues; now, therefore

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

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