

Legislation Text

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To honor and recognize the Columbus Clippers for their 2011 International League Governors' Cup Championship and Triple-A National Championship.

WHEREAS, since its establishment in 1977, the Columbus Clippers franchise has been a treasured member of our community; and

WHEREAS, the Clippers have been affiliated with the Pittsburgh Pirates, New York Yankees, and Washington Nationals, and are currently affiliated with the Cleveland Indians in a partnership that has sent many talented players to Major League Baseball; and

WHEREAS, the Clippers played in iconic Cooper Stadium for more than three decades before moving in 2009 to Huntington Park, a state-of-the-art facility that has earned acclaim since its opening, including being named the 2009 Ballpark of the Year by BaseballParks.com; and

WHEREAS, the team has delighted fans with its consistently solid play, appearing in the International League championship series twelve times and winning nine Governors' Cups; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 the Clippers won their second Triple-A-National Championship, with an 8-3 victory over the Omaha Storm Chasers, to complete an unforgettable season in which they became the second team to claim back-to-back titles in the six-year history of the Triple-A-National Championship Game.

WHEREAS, as the Clippers prepare to defend their title in the 2012 season, we celebrate not only their successes on the field, but also their contribution to the economic development and quality of life of our city; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby honor and recognize the Columbus Clippers for their 2011 International League Governors' Cup Championship and Triple-A National Championship.