

Legislation Text

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To recognize Deborah A. Coleman, RN, MS, Chief Nursing Officer and Assistant Health Commissioner, and thank her for 23 years of dedicated service to Columbus Public Health and Central Ohio residents.

WHEREAS, Deborah A. Coleman willingly shared her leadership, expertise, and compassion to help others through an honorable 34 year career in nursing; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman helped Columbus residents live healthier and safer lives through 23 years of dedicated service at Columbus Public Health; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman tirelessly worked to educate the public and led immunization efforts to protect as many people as possible - including Columbus school children - during the H1N1 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman led efforts that increased childhood immunization rates to one of the highest in the country to help protect our youngest residents and the entire community from vaccine-preventable diseases; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman established the first AIDS program at Columbus Public Health and shared her expertise as a local, state and national AIDS expert to help prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman encouraged, developed and nurtured public health partnerships with hospitals, healthcare providers, businesses, community partners and City leaders to protect residents' health; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman worked to prevent the spread of infectious diseases such as influenza, TB and pertussis in our community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman served as Chief Nursing Officer at Columbus Public Health and was a passionate advocate for nurses everywhere; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Coleman dedicated her life and career to public health protection; now, therefore

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

That this council does hereby recognize and honor the distinguished nursing career of Deborah A. Coleman and her service to Columbus Public Health and thank her for helping all Columbus residents live healthier and safer lives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we do hereby urge all Columbus residents to join in recognition of her honorable achievements and her dedicated service to Columbus Public Health.