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To Recognize Joe DeLoss with the Reese Neader Memorial Award for Entrepreneurship & Social Change

**WHEREAS**, Reese Neader was a staple of the Columbus community who rallied entrepreneurs to create their own small businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, Reese passed away on December 14th, 2016 at the age of 34; and

**WHEREAS**, to carry on the legacy of Reese Neader and recognize entrepreneurs working towards the common good, Columbus City Council established the Reese Neader Memorial Award for Entrepreneurship and Social Change; and

**WHEREAS**, the Reese Neader Memorial Award is presented quarterly to a small business or entrepreneur in Columbus working to improve neighborhoods, create jobs, and boost the quality of life for the people of Columbus; and

**WHEREAS**, this quarter's Reese Neader Memorial Award goes to Joe DeLoss; and

**WHEREAS**, Joe founded Hot Chicken Takeover in 2014 as a pop-up restaurant committed to championing supportive employment to adults affected by homelessness, incarceration, and poverty, and introducing Columbus to outstanding, spicy fried chicken; and

**WHEREAS**, Joe now leads an enterprise of 120 individuals with around 70 percent of those workers coming from backgrounds that make it hard to find employment, and has become a nationally-recognized thought leader and advocate of integrating second-chance employment into corporate HR practices;

**WHEREAS**, Joe has grown Hot Chicken Takeover from an Olde Towne East walk-up window in 2014 to three restaurants and \$6 million in sales last year; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby present Joe DeLoss with the Reese Neader Memorial Award for Entrepreneurship and Social Change.