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To Congratulate Columbus' Annual Asian Festival on 26 years of Celebration in the Asian Community

WHEREAS, the Asian Festival began as an all-volunteer group from Columbus' Asian Community that came together to celebrate the cultural contributions of the Asian Community by holding a Gala and Festival which would become an annual event; and

WHEREAS, the Asian Festival has grown over 26 years to include a career fair, Children's Picnic, and the signature event, Dragon Boat Races; and

WHEREAS, the Asian Festival celebrates over 15 distinct Asian ethnic groups within Central Ohio, highlighting the beauty, contributions, and diversity of Asian cultures, heritage, tradition and arts; and

WHEREAS, the Asian Festival features some of the best, most authentic, cultural traditions from many of our Ohio Asian communities, encompassing a performance art series, visual arts and crafts, and the opportunity to enjoy, purchase, and cook authentic cuisine not available in local Asian restaurants; and

WHEREAS, on May 23rd and 24th, 2020, the Asian Festival will host artistic performances and exhibits in Franklin Park that will expand the public's understanding and appreciation of Asian cultures further regarding it as one of Central Ohio's premier special events; and

WHEREAS, 2020 represents the 26th Anniversary of the Columbus Annual Asian Festival, exemplifying the commitment, dedication, and hard work of Columbus' Asian Community to showcase its distinct culture and promote diversity in Central Ohio; now, therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby congratulate the Asian Festival on 26 years.

