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To recognize and celebrate the 3rd annual Venture Out Event in Columbus

WHEREAS, on Thursday June 17th, Atlas Venture Partners is hosting the third annual VENTURE OUT at Stonewall Columbus

WHEREAS, dozens of local and national startups, venture firms, and organizations are coming together to celebrate the role that Columbus plays in the LGBTQ+ innovation, entrepreneurship, and business communities and;

WHEREAS, we recognize the success of The Pride Fund, which is the nation's first venture fund exclusively focused on empowering and uplifting the LGBTQ+ community, and

WHEREAS, We recognize that the LGBTQ+ Entrepreneur Accelerator Program (LEAP) that was announced at the first VENTURE OUT has served over 20 Columbus entrepreneurs and is now expanding nationally while maintaining a global headquarters in Columbus; and that Krystopher Scott, who presented at the first VENTURE OUT, is now chronicling the work of LGBTQ+ startups, organizations, and leaders through a national docuseries while maintaining a home base in Columbus

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that all of these steps are important but we have much more work to do, and we are proudly doing it together; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this council hereby declare the 3rd annual Venrure Out event be recognized and celebrated.