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To Recognize June 21, 2012 as the Seventh Annual National "Dump the Pump" Day.

WHEREAS, June 21, 2012, marks the seventh annual National "Dump the Pump" Day as a day that encourages people to ride public transportation to save money, protect the environment, reduce dependence on foreign oil, and improve the quality of life for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, people who ride public transportation can save, on average, more than \$10,000 per year, based on today's gas prices, the cost of owning a car and the average unreserved parking rate; and

WHEREAS, for every \$1 invested in public transportation, \$4 is generated in economic returns; and

WHEREAS, U.S. public transportation use reduces the country's carbon footprint by 37 million metric tons-the equivalent of 4.9 million households using electricity in a year; and

WHEREAS, U.S. public transportation use saves 4.2 billion gallons of gasoline per year-the equivalent of 900,000 cars filling up every day; and

WHEREAS, without public transportation, annual congestion costs would have risen by nearly \$17 billion from \$101 billion to \$118 billion in 2011, therefore

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

That we do hereby recognize June 21, 2012, as National "Dump the Pump" Day in Columbus, Ohio and that the Central Ohio Transit Authority will join with transit agencies across the country and participate in the seventh annual National "Dump the Pump" Day to encourage transit ridership on this day.