



Legislation Text

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To honor and recognize the Friends of Goodale Park for restoring the park's historic gates.

WHEREAS, in 1851, Lincoln Goodale donated the land for what is now Goodale Park, then helped manage it for sixteen -and-a-half years until his death, upon which he bequeathed resources for the continued care of the park; and

WHEREAS, the park's gates were erected in 1870 and still stand today, making them among the most historic pieces of architecture in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Goodale Park received support from various sources to restore the gates to their historic splendor, including grants from the Columbus Foundation and the Short North Civic Association and UIRF funds from the city; and

WHEREAS, restoration by Quality Masonry of Marion began in 2012 and included a new internal support structure and the fabrication of period light fixtures to replicate the original fixtures, which had been removed in the early 1900s; and

WHEREAS, just as then-Council President William Armstrong extended his thanks to Mr. Goodale in 1851 for his "noble and princely" donation, this Council extends its deepest gratitude to the Friends of Goodale Park and all of the community partners who made the restoration of the historic gates possible; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby honor and recognize the Friends of Goodale Park for restoring the park's historic gates, and for their continued stewardship of this beloved park.