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Legislation Text

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To recognize and honor Neighborhood Services, Inc. on their 50th anniversary of alleviating poverty and providing food services and material assistance to individuals in need in Columbus

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Services, Inc. (NSI) was founded in 1965 by churches in the university district area in response to the growing needs of nearby neighbors and has been serving families in and around the area for the past 50 years; and

WHEREAS, NSI primarily serves working, low income families and individuals, unemployed individuals and their families, as well as single heads of household with young, dependent children in the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Services, Inc. partners with more than 70 local businesses and community organizations to support its mission to feed the hungry and alleviate poverty in Columbus' most impoverished communities; and

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Services, Inc. has touched countless lives though their food pantry, clothing room, and other assistance projects such as the Back to School program which collects and distributes backpacks, writing utensils, paper, calculators, pens, and other essentials that help children in grades K-12 have a productive school year; and

WHEREAS, The impact of NSI in the community has created a ripple effect that often goes unnoticed by those unaffected by hunger, but for many who are struggling, Neighborhood Services, Inc. provides support so that they don't have to choose between paying a bill and eating; and

WHEREAS, In 2014, Neighborhood Services, Inc. has helped communities in need substantially by providing clothing for 94 families, serving 2,199 households through the food pantry, and supplying back to school items for 406 families, as well as through other community outreach efforts; and

WHEREAS, Upon this anniversary, we applaud Neighborhood Services, Inc. on the impact the organization has made on our communities through exemplary efforts of the dedicated businesses, organizations, and individuals who through their service, have improved the quality of life for those living in our city, Now therefore;

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

That this Council does hereby recognize and honor the 50th anniversary of Neighborhood Services, Inc. on this momentous occasion.