



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To honor and recognize Columbus' Annual Asian Festival on its 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

**WHEREAS**, in the summer of 1994, an all-volunteer based group from the Asian community came together to celebrate the cultural contributions of that diverse community by holding a Gala and Festival; and

**WHEREAS**, that Asian Festival became an annual event, celebrated each year for the past twenty-one years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Asian Festival represents over 15 Asian ethnic groups within Central Ohio, and highlights the beauty of Asian cultures, heritage, tradition, and arts; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015, Asian Festival will host artistic performances and exhibits, in Franklin Park, that will expand the general public's understanding of Asian cultures; and

**WHEREAS**, the festival will feature some of the best, and most authentic, cultural traditions from many of our Ohio Asian communities, encompassing a performance arts series, visual arts and crafts, and including the opportunity to enjoy and purchase exquisite cuisine not available in our local Asian restaurants; and

**WHEREAS**, over the years, the festival has expanded to include a career fair, a picnic celebrating families with adopted Asian children, and the festival's now signature event - dragon boat races; and

**WHEREAS**, the Asian Festival attracts over 100,000 visitors, and is widely recognized as one of Central Ohio's premiere special events; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby honor and recognize Columbus' Annual Asian Festival on the occasion of its 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary, and encourages our entire community to attend and enjoy the beauty and depth of Asian culture and heritage.