



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To recognize Mr. Micheal Cudgel as the U.S. Small Business Administration - Columbus District Office's 2015 Minority Small Business Champion

**WHEREAS**, Micheal L. Cudgel founded HAZ Technologies, LLC in 2006 in Columbus, Ohio as a full service information technology branding and solutions firm, and continues to serve as the chief executive officer of HAZ Technologies; and

**WHEREAS**, HAZ Technologies has grown to become an international graphic design and IT solutions firm with operations from California to Washington D.C. in the United States, and presences in Nigeria and the United Arab Emirates, internationally; and

**WHEREAS**, HAZ Technologies continues to grow as a firm that fills the market gap in offering next generation network security to small- and medium-sized enterprises, so that that business may flourish in their own rights; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Cudgel also uses his resources towards philanthropic aims by donating database server time and space to the Center for Healthy Families, and the World Community Grid; providing discounted consultation services to *Minority Business Enterprise* and *Encouraging Diversity, Growth and Equity* certified businesses throughout the State of Ohio; and educating young people about information technology career paths; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Cudgel has been honored far and wide by various groups and organizations for his work, culminating in being named the 2015 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year by the United States Small Business Administration's Columbus District Office; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize, celebrate and applaud Mr. Micheal Cudgel for his contributions to the Columbus community as the 2015 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year, and expresses its gratitude for his philanthropic work and commitment to our city.