

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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To recognize, celebrate and thank Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. as the Columbus faith community commemorates his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as Pastor of the Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church.

WHEREAS, Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr., son of the late Curvington and Mary Reeves and a native of Columbus, Ohio, was born on May 27, 1949; and

**WHEREAS**, Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr., has been blessed by his loving wife of more than four decades, Minister Deborah Reeves; he also has three sons: Dr. Michael Reeves, Jr., Bryan and John; and

WHEREAS, Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. believes in the importance of "speaking for those who cannot speak for themselves and standing up for the rights of the destitute," was educated at the Ephesus S.D.A Academy and in the Columbus Public School System; and

WHEREAS, Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. received the call to the ministry in November of 1974 and was selected as Pastor of the Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church located at 3161 East 5th Avenue in October of 1976; and

WHEREAS, Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church and the surrounding community has prospered under the leadership of Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. - this growth includes: the building of a new church facility, the creation of a Community Development Corporation, an increase in the size of the church's ministerial staff, and ultimately the physical and spiritual growth of the members of the Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. is not only a recognized leader in the Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church, but is also a recognized leader in the greater Columbus community at large: serving as the past President of the Congress of Christian Education for the Ohio Baptist State Convention, Inc.; he has served on the Board of Trustees for Maryhaven Inc., - which serves residents suffering from substance and chemical abuse; he has also been recognized by "Who's Who in Black Central Ohio;" and he has served as a community liaison and weekday afternoon announcer on WJYD, Joy 106.3 radio station and is now known for his work and service to WVKO: The Praise Radio; and

WHEREAS, Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. received the distinction of being an "Elder" on October 12, 2003 by Bishop Jerome H. Ross, Sr. of the Tridestone Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. Forty (40) years of service will be celebrated by the members of Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church and the Columbus faith community with the theme: "God's Faithful Servant, Moving the Church to a Higher Level in God; "now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby recognize, celebrate and thank Elder Michael D. Reeves, Sr. as the Columbus faith community commemorates his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as Pastor of the Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church.