

Legislation Text

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To Recognize the 14th Annual OhioHealth Capital City Half Marathon on Saturday, April 29, 2017

WHEREAS, the OhioHealth Capital City Half Marathon, founded in 2004 by M3S Sports, has steadily grown into one of the largest and most recognized half marathons in the United States and this year will have participants from 49 states and four nations; and

WHEREAS, the OhioHealth Capital City Half Marathon will once again be the focus of the running and sports world and bring the nation's best men's and women's long distance runners to our city as it again hosts the USA Half Marathon National Championships in partnership with USA Track & Field and the Greater Columbus Sports Commission; and

WHEREAS, the OhioHealth Capital City Half Marathon has become the ultimate spring celebration of the active, healthy lifestyle in our community with an expected 14,000 runners and walkers; and

WHEREAS, the Capital City Half Marathon attracts an estimated 45,000 people to downtown Columbus and generates more than \$6.5 million in visitor spending in restaurants, retail, transportation, recreation, and lodging; and

WHEREAS, this year, the OhioHealth Capital City Half Marathon will again benefit the OhioHealth Foundation and earmark a portion of the event's proceeds to the foundation's programming; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby thank M3S Sports Race Director David Babner and his entire team for creating and growing this world class event in Columbus and along with all the citizens of Columbus we celebrate the 14th Annual OhioHealth Capital City Half Marathon and wish the thousands of runners and walkers the best of luck throughout their journey on Saturday, April 29, 2017.