

Legislation Text

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To recognize May 7th through May 11th 2018 as in Demand Jobs Week in the City of Columbus.

WHEREAS, a thriving local economy is driven by workforce development leaders who have an awareness regarding the impact of emerging technologies and the vast changes in the skill levels that are needed by tomorrow's workers - it is also important for leaders to identify and predict the skills gaps that exists among workers and the need for workers to learn to be flexible, adaptable and ready to acquire new knowledge and skills in real time; and

WHEREAS, May 7th through May 11th will be recognized as "In-Demand Jobs Week in the State of Ohio - marking the first observation of this initiative - this is being conducted in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Education, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, businesses, state agencies and the Ohio Department of Higher Education promoting "In-Demand Jobs;" and

WHEREAS, In-demand jobs week will allow students, job-seekers, secondary and postsecondary educators, employers, workforce professionals, and communities to learn about careers in emerging fields; and

WHEREAS, In-Demand Jobs Week creates an opportunity for workers, employers, and educators to learn through local events and activities about the rewarding and high-demand careers that are available in each region; and

WHEREAS, it is hoped that In-Demand Jobs Week will begin to inspire students to begin focusing on in-demand careers and pathways that may be available in the classroom and beyond; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that In-Demand Jobs Week will open doors for students and job-seekers to begin increasing interest in local jobs - ultimately creating a new pipeline of talent; and

WHEREAS, In-Demand Jobs Week may be the catalyst to link and connect like-minded stakeholders that will begin to foster partnerships, plan events, and increase awareness about employment resources in the community; and

WHEREAS, "In-Demand Jobs Week" will uniquely position educators to help guide students as they pursue career pathways - it will also position and encourage college leaders who are in touch with training students to explore the use of emerging technologies and connect them with local business and workforce leaders -opening the doors to a better local economy; and

WHEREAS, "In-Demand Jobs Week" was developed by Ohio business leaders and coordinated with the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to promote "In-Demand Jobs Week" each May - these efforts were also supported by the Ohio General Assembly which authorized a statewide awareness week as a part of the biennial budget which passed in 2017; now therefore,

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Columbus,

That this Council does hereby, recognize May 7th through May 11th 2018 as in Demand Jobs Week in the City of Columbus.