



Legislation Text

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To honor, recognize, and celebrate LifeCare Alliance for 120 years of outstanding service to the residents of Columbus and Central Ohio.

WHEREAS, LifeCare Alliance was established in 1898 as “the Instructive District Nursing Association” (IDNA) which became the first Visiting Nurse Association and healthcare program in Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, LifeCare Alliance was developed as a part of a vision from Mrs. Catherine Nelson Black, wife of Mr. Samuel Black, who was a judge and mayor of the City of Columbus - Mrs. Black indicated that she wanted to establish an organization that would “take care of the people who nobody else paid any attention to; ” and

WHEREAS, LifeCare Alliance also became the first organization to bring medical care and health education to the homes of the sick poor and immigrant populations - those with high infant mortality rates; and

WHEREAS, 2018 marks 120 years of service to the residents of Columbus and Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, LifeCare Alliance leads our community in identifying and delivering health and nutrition services to meet the community's changing needs; and

WHEREAS, LifeCare Alliance is also celebrating more than 45 years of service for its Meals on Wheels Program, and is proud to be the second city in the nation to provide meals to congregate dining centers and to homebound elderly and chronically ill residents in our community - this program provides nourishing food and a daily visit 365 days a year; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 LifeCare Alliance prepared and delivered more than 1.8 million meals - had more than 7,600 individuals and organizations who donated in excess of 187,000 hours of their time as volunteers and served more than 20,000 clients allowing them to stay in their homes with dignity; and

WHEREAS, LifeCare Alliance helped provide more than 5,026 wellness visits and services to more than 1,133 clients, now, therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby honor, recognize, and celebrate LifeCare Alliance for 120 years of outstanding service to the residents of Columbus and Central Ohio.