

Legislation Text

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To commemorate Charity Newsies on over a century of exceptional fundraising for children and to congratulate the organization on the unveiling of "The Newsboy," in honor of the charity's long history and mission

WHEREAS, Charity Newsies was founded over a century ago, in 1907, after a young destitute boy stood on the corner of Broad and High selling newspapers for a good cause; and

WHEREAS, The mission of Charity Newsies is that no child shall be kept out of school for lack of adequate clothing. In the 2016-2017 school year, Charity Newsies have clothed over 13,000 children and raised \$1.1 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, Every year on the second Saturday of December, Charity Newsies take to the streets in order to sell a special edition of the newspaper for any amount people are willing to give. One hundred percent of those funds, goes towards the purchase of new clothing for children in need; and

WHEREAS, On Friday, June 15th, 2018, Charity Newsies will commemorate its long history of clothing children with the unveiling of "The Newsboy," a life-size bronze statue that will reside where their mission began, located at 12 E. Broad St.; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby congratulate Charity Newsies on over 110 years of exceptional fundraising and contributions to the City of Columbus and we declare Friday, June 15th as Charity Newsies Day