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To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to grant consent to an organization to apply for permission to sell alcoholic beverages at the following 2018 event: Columbus Caribbean Festival.

Background: This ordinance will grant permission to the following group to apply for a temporary liquor permit authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages at a special event to be held during 2018:

1) Wright's Way Foundation for the Columbus Caribbean Festival, September 14-16, 2018.

This organization wishes to sell alcoholic beverages to eligible patrons on city streets and city property to be used for the event. This is the second year for closing a public street to hold the event.

The City of Columbus, acting by and through its Director of Recreation and Parks, is required to grant approval to the organizer of this event so they may obtain the required permits from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control.

Principal Parties:
Wright's Way Foundation for Columbus Caribbean Festival
Wright's Way Foundation
2355 Halkirk Street South
Columbus, OH 43215
Tristan Wright, 614-354-4166

Emergency Justification: The day of the event is on September 14-16, The State of Ohio requires all events to file their application of temporary liquor permits at least 30 days in advance of an event
Benefits to the Public: Allow streets to be the host site for charitable organizations to host events as community fundraising endeavors with proceeds going back to the community.

Community Input Issues: This legislation has the support of the charitable organization that will benefit from its passage. Event coordinator will still need to secure street closure signatures from neighborhood property owners before closing streets.

Area(s) Affected: Franklinton/ Downtown Area - Closing of Washington Blvd. between West Town Street and West Rich Street

Fiscal Impact: None

To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to grant consent to the Wright's Way Foundation, Inc. to apply for permission to sell alcoholic beverages at the Wright's Way Foundation for Columbus Caribbean Festival; and to declare an emergency. ($0.00)

WHEREAS, the following special event will take place during 2018: Wright's Way Foundation for Columbus Caribbean Festival, September 14-16, 2018; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Director of Recreation and Parks to grant consent to various organizations/community groups to apply for permission to sell alcoholic beverages at various 2018 events**;** and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Recreation and Parks in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to grant this consent due to the event taking place September 14-18th, the State of Ohio requires all events to file their application of temporary liquor permits at least 30 days in advance of an event**; NOW, THEREFORE**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Recreation and Parks Department be and is hereby authorized and directed to grant consent, on behalf of the City of Columbus, to Wright's Way Foundation to apply for appropriate liquor permits to enable the non-profit group to sell alcoholic beverages during the hours specified in said permits and at a specified locations during their September 14-16, 2018 special event.

SECTION 2. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.

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