



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To recognize and celebrate Bethany Presbyterian Church for a century of service and worship

**WHEREAS**, Despite prejudice and rejection from other churches 24 people were committed to serve and worship the Lord. This dedication led to the founding of Bethany Presbyterian Church on July 21, 1918; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1936 the Church progressed by great lengths behind the leadership of Rev. Holloway, a Yale graduate and protégée of Booker T. Washington. As leader of the flock for 17 years the size of the congregation increased from 75 to 300 and a manse was constructed; and

**WHEREAS**, Alongside developments for the Church, the congregation began to devote time and services to the Near East Side in which the Church resides in; and

**WHEREAS**, Bethany Presbyterian has continued to serve the Bronzeville-King-Lincoln District by providing vacation bible school, feeding the hungry, and providing local food banks with locally grown produce; and

**WHEREAS**, The members of this Church have always been active; not just in ministries, but in our community and country. This Church has been a home to councilmembers, doctors, athletes, community advocates, and veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, The spirit of serving and the commitment to worship the Lord has always been on display at this Church, and these guiding forces will continue to propel this Church and its members to do good works into future, therefore

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

That this council does hereby recognize and celebrate Bethany Presbyterian Church for 100 years of worship and service throughout Columbus