



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To Recognize and Celebrate the Dedication of 40 Cherry Trees and Colors of Columbus and its Contributions to the City of Columbus.

**WHEREAS**, On April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012, the city of Columbus planted 20 cherry blossom trees in Franklin Park as a celebration of the centennial for the original historic donation of 3000 cherry trees to Washington, D.C. from Mayor Yukio Ozaki of Tokyo; and

**WHEREAS**, This gesture made by the city of Columbus served as a symbol of friendship between the U.S. and Japan for over 100 years as well as in remembrance of the Great Tōhoku Earthquake and Tsunami in Japan; and

**WHEREAS**, The Columbus Recreation and Parks Department, Franklin Park Conservatory, and the International Voluntary Organizations have joined together to obtain and plant 40 additional cherry trees around the lower pond to be dedicated on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, With its collection of dwarf ornamental flowering trees, the Colors of Columbus serves as a celebration of the ethnicity and ancestry of Columbus residents and further showcases Columbus as a cosmopolitan city; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate the Dedication of 40 Cherry Trees and Colors of Columbus and thank them for their contributions to the City of Columbus and the important friendship they symbolize.