



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To Recognize the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual “Lights On Afterschool” Celebration on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**WHEREAS**, “Lights On Afterschool” was launched in 2000 as a nationwide event to celebrate afterschool programs and their important role in the lives of children, families, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2018 national “Lights On Afterschool” celebration will occur on October 25<sup>th</sup> with more than 8,000 events and more than one million people from across the nation and at U.S. military bases worldwide showcasing the skills students gain and the talents they develop at their afterschool programs; and

**WHEREAS**, “Lights On Afterschool” is organized by the Afterschool Alliance, a national organization dedicated to raising awareness of the importance of afterschool programs and advocating for more afterschool investments to ensure that all children have access to affordable, quality afterschool programs; and

**WHEREAS**, since 2000, the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department has run the Capital Kids Program to provide participants with a safe place to learn and play once the school day is over; and

**WHEREAS**, the Capital Kids Program encourages strong family involvement and focuses on comprehensive support for its participants by offering nutritious snacks, academic assistance and tutoring, enrichment activities such as cooking, field trips, drama and art, and recreation activities such as sports and board games; and

**WHEREAS**, through continued support of the Capital Kids Program, Columbus City Council recognizes the need for and benefits of quality afterschool programming in Columbus; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby recognize the 19<sup>th</sup> annual “Lights on Afterschool” celebration on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018.