

Legislation Text

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To recognize and celebrate the work and baking artistry of Mr. Timothy "Timbo" Sullivan Jr. - the 2018 Champion of the Macy's Thanksgiving Cake Spectacular" hosted by Martha Stewart on the Food Network.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus and the members of Columbus City Council, the nation's 14th largest city are proud to honor and celebrate persons of distinguished character and achievement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Timothy "Timbo" Sullivan, Jr., a professional cake artist is especially deserving of this honor and recognition - a 2009 graduate of Mifflin Senior High School and a lifelong resident of Columbus, Ohio began his career at what used to be the North East Career Center where he began sketching, drawing fruit and other items - in High School he developed into an accomplished artist, becoming known for selling the T-shirts and shoes that he painted; and

WHEREAS, in 2011 Timothy, after seeing a baking show on television, developed a fascination with decorating cakes - his experiments with cake designs ultimately evolved from a hobby into a full-fledged professional career - at 27 Timothy now has secured a number of contracts which include but are not limited to, regular appearances on the Food Network and other venues; moreover his extensive portfolio includes features on the Food Network show "Duff Till Dawn," hosted by Duff Goldman; "Ridiculous Cakes," a Body Painting Competition called "Skin Wars," and in 2015 he made a 6-foot-tall cake depicting an alien marrying a sea witch for a couple getting who got married at COSI Columbus - this was subsequently featured on the Food Network series "Outrageous Wedding Cakes;" and

WHEREAS, Timothy, whose business trademark, "Cakes by Timbo," also has an extensive international following - he has taught classes in Canada, England, Jamaica, Mexico and he has represented the United States in an international team baking competition in Australia, which the United States , under his leadership, won - he is the third of Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan's five children, and he specializes in science fiction-related art such as monsters and creatures, and pop culture icons like King Kong, Frankenstein, and others; and

WHEREAS, Timothy's familiarity with pop culture icons earned him an invitation to the 2018 Macy's Thanksgiving Cake Spectacular" hosted by Martha Stewart on the Food Network <u>- during this Thanksgiving Day special</u> competition, Timothy created a "Grinch Cake, " successfully defeating a number of other accomplished bakers and winning a \$25,000 prize, now therefore, - this Thanksgiving Day special was a competition to create a "Grinch Cake" - during this two day cake baking competition Timothy successfully defeated a number of other accomplished bakers bakers and was awarded a \$25,000 prize, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate the work and baking artistry of Mr. Timothy "Timbo" Sullivan Jr. - the 2018 Champion of the Macy's Thanksgiving Cake Spectacular" hosted by Martha Stewart on the Food Network and further congratulates him and wishes him continued long term success.