



Legislation Text

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To recognize the role and importance of civility and respect in public discourse at Columbus City Council and throughout our City.

WHEREAS, the One Columbus Interfaith Council was created in partnership with Columbus City Council to serve as a resource for community engagement with emerging faith leaders and to foster dialogue, partnership, education, service, and celebration among various faiths and cultures; and

WHEREAS, this Council and the One Columbus Interfaith Council understands that their words and interactions extend beyond the office and into the public sphere; and

WHEREAS, the One Columbus Interfaith Council and its Code of Civility sets standards by which it and the City can encourage each other and our communities to develop and sustain a climate of respect and inclusiveness that welcomes and embraces diverse backgrounds and life experiences, deliberately seek multiple perspectives, and support the free and open exchange of ideas and civil discourse; and

WHEREAS, this Council recognizes that diversity of opinion should be cultivated and encouraged throughout our City; and

WHEREAS, this Council commits to nurturing a City free of bias and prejudice toward any group or individual; and

WHEREAS, this Council supports the work of both the One Columbus Interfaith Council and neighborhood organizations and leaders to continue to better our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, this Council commits to upholding and maintaining a culture of justice, mercy, and safety in our City, understanding that we are indebted to the wellbeing of all residents; and

WHEREAS, this Council commits to working together with mutual respect to achieve its goals, and to communicating with the residents of the City to formulate and work toward these goals; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize the role and importance of civility and respect in public discourse throughout our City, and hereby commits to serve as a model for this civil discourse in partnership with the One Columbus Interfaith Council and the residents of Columbus.