



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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To congratulate Walter L. Workman Community Labor Lifetime Award recipient

**WHEREAS,** The George Meany Awards Banquet, the largest labor recognition of its kind in the country is a night for the Central Ohio AFL-CIO and the United Way Community Services Department to recognize local business and labor leaders who have given outstanding volunteer service to the community; and

**WHEREAS,** The George Meany Awards, named after the late George Meany, former President of the national AFL-CIO, are presented by the Central Ohio AFL-CIO to a labor person for outstanding leadership and support of health, welfare and recreation services to the Central Ohio Community; and

**WHEREAS,** Walter L. Workman was born in West Virginia he graduated from Sherman High School and served in the United States Army. Walter began his career with Ontario Foods as an apprentice meat cutter; and

**WHEREAS,** after 13 years as a meat cutter Walter joined the Amalgamated Meat Cutter and Butcher Workers of North America Local 346 as a business agent. In 1979 the Meat Cutters and the Retail Clerk merged and became the United Food Commercial Workers Union; and

**WHEREAS,** Walter became the Secretary- Treasurer of the Local until local 346 and local 1058 merged, Walter held the position of Executive to the President until 1989 when he was appointed as Secretary Treasurer until he retired in 1998. After a short retirement Walter was elected as Secretary - Treasurer (Executive Director) of the Central Ohio Labor Council, AFL-CIO. Walter is now a member of the Bakers Local 57; and

**WHEREAS,** Walter is very active with the community and has been Associate Chair for Labor for the United Way Campaign and the One New Toy Program now known as Union Share. Walter has been on the Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO Community Service Committee, Trustee of the Labor Council, Secretary of the UFCW State Active Ballot Club, Past President of FAST, Chairman of the Health & Welfare and Pension Funds of the UFCW and a member of IRRA. Walter represents the true meaning of community leadership not only by his commitment and dedication to organized labor, but to the community as a whole; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That we hereby congratulate Walter L. Workman as the 2019 Community Labor Lifetime Award recipient