

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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To Recognize and Celebrate May 5th through 11th, 2019, as 'Teacher Appreciation Week'

WHEREAS, since 1984, National PTA has designated one week in May as 'Teacher Appreciation Week' to honor the men and women who lend their passion and skills to educate our children by organizing events at the national, state, and local levels to celebrate the outstanding contributions teachers make; and

WHEREAS, 'National Teacher Day' is being recognized and celebrated on May 7th, 2019, as a part of 'Teacher Appreciation Week' to further highlight the important work and contributions of educators in our schools and communities; and

WHEREAS, teachers play a pivotal role in the lives of millions of children every day by inspiring a lifelong love of learning and discovery and making a difference in their well-being and long-term success; and

WHEREAS, a teacher's work and impact extends far beyond the boundaries of the classroom as they regularly provide additional supports and resources for families and the local communities in which they serve; and

WHEREAS, City Council recognizes the important role teachers play in enhancing the economic vitality and cultural vibrancy of Columbus by ensuring each student is highly educated, prepared for leadership and service, and empowered for success as a citizen in a global community; and

WHEREAS, teachers encounter new students each year who each require an individualized approach as each student learns differently and has a different set of circumstances, which causes teachers to work on average more than 52 hours a week, including 30 hours on instruction and 22 hours on tasks like preparing lessons and grading papers; and

WHEREAS, by preparing students for successful careers and creating a skilled workforce for tomorrow's economy, while also encouraging students to be active and informed citizens capable of guiding our country through civic engagement, teachers ensure our education system continues to be a foundational building block of our society; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate May 5th through 11th, 2019, as 'Teacher Appreciation Week.'