



Legislation Text

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To recognize and celebrate Mr. Terry Traster on being selected as a January 2020 Local Food Action Plan Local Food Champion by the Columbus and Franklin County Local Food Board and the Franklin County Local Food Council.

WHEREAS, The Local Food Champion's work embodies one or each of the four goals outlined in the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan which include: enhancing the coordination and communication among existing food resources and agencies; improving access to and education about healthy food, affordable food and local food; increasing the role of food in economic development; and preventing food-related waste; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus and the Franklin County Local Food Board was established to oversee, prioritize and guide implementation activities of the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Local Food Council (FCLFC) is an independent advisory council that brings together people from across the food system, from growers to eaters, with a particular interest in people and neighborhoods most affected by food system policies and programs; and

WHEREAS, The Local Food Champion Award recognizes and celebrates grassroots community efforts that support the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan's vision of a fair and sustainable food system that benefits our local economy, the environment, and each of the residents in our community; and

WHEREAS, The City of Columbus & the Franklin County Local Food Board and the Franklin County Local Food Council recognize Mr. Terry Traster as a winner of the January 2020 Local Food Champion Award as his work embodies the goals outlined in the Local Food Action Plan - Terry has been at ECDI for the last 4 years - He is the program Director of the Food Fort, a social enterprise focused on launching and expanding nascent food-based businesses. Terry oversees over 20,000 square feet of warehouse space and 6 kitchens that are home to over 45 small food businesses - Terry also coaches these small startup businesses by providing industry expertise, food safety training, and other business support to help foster these nascent businesses into thriving businesses - He is constantly looking for ways to help small food-based businesses grow." These efforts exemplify Goal C of the Local Food Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, Terry's achievements were honored during a special ceremony at the Franklin County Local Food Council meeting in January 2020; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate Mr. Terry Traster on being selected as a January 2020 Local Food Action Plan Local Food Champion by the Columbus and Franklin County Local Food Board and the Franklin County Local Food Council.