

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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To Recognize "Buy Veteran" Shoppers' Week in and Express our Appreciation for those who have served in the United States Armed Forces

**WHEREAS,** According to the Department of Veteran affairs, there are more than 700 veteran owned businesses in Ohio. These small businesses are responsible for employing nearly 2,100 people, most of whom are fellow veterans; and

WHEREAS, There are approximately four million veteran-owned businesses in the United States with states such as California (252,377), Texas (213,590), Florida (185,756), New York (137,532) and Pennsylvania (97,969) accounting for the highest number of veteran owned businesses; and

**WHEREAS,** All veterans have committed so much to our nation in service. Now that they have returned home, it is imperative that we as a community continue to support them; and

**WHEREAS,** Through veteran shopping week Buy Veteran hopes to promote veteran-owned business in our community. Through support of veteran owned business, their intention is to foster a strong economy and encourage patrons to support veteran owned businesses in their area; and

**WHEREAS**, As Veteran's Day approaches this Council encourages residents to seek out and support veteran-owned businesses in our community. With continued community support, these businesses can thrive and hire more veterans to continue to serve; now, therefore

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

That this Council does hereby recognize "Buy Veteran" shoppers' week in Columbus, Ohio and encourages residents to support small businesses that have dedicated themselves to our community and our nation.