

Legislation Text

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To recognize and celebrate Ms. Adrienne Williams on being selected as the May 2021 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 more of the goals outlined in the Columbus & Franklin County Local Food Action Plan Goals A, B, C, and D 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 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 recognized Ms. Adrienne Williams as the winner of the May 2021 Local Food Champion Award as her work embodies the goals outlined in the Local Food Action Plan - Adrienne led the launch of a new justice-oriented collective at the start of the 2020 pandemic to support community gardens, raise awareness of historic and ongoing racial injustice in agriculture, and empower BIPOC individuals to live into their ecological, mental, and physical health goals. Under her leadership, the Growing and Growth Collective holds uplifting in-person garden workdays, virtual discussions, and impactful social media and newsletter communications - these efforts exemplify the grassroots objectives of Goal B of the Local Food Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, Adrienne's achievements were honored during the Local Food Action Plan 2020 Annual Report Virtual Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, now therefore,

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

That this Council does hereby recognize and celebrate Ms. Adrienne Williams on being selected as the May 2021 Local Food Action Plan Local Food Champion by the Columbus and Franklin County Local Food Board and the Franklin County Local Food Council.