

Legislation Text

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To Welcome Mohamed Ali Nur to the City of Columbus

WHEREAS, Mohamed Ali Nur has dedicated his life and career to supporting the people of Somalia at home and abroad as a civil servant, diplomat, and humanitarian through serving as the Somali Ambassador to Kenya, promoting peace and reconciliation efforts, and founding the Yasmin Foundation to undertake humanitarian initiatives focusing on education, water, health, and environmental conservation in Somalia; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus Somali community is hosting a reception to welcome Mohamed Ali Nur to the city, to celebrate the local community, and to discuss the future of Somali youth in the diaspora and in Somalia; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus is home to an estimated Somali population of 60,000, the second-largest Somali population in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Somali community in Columbus strengthens the cultural and economic vibrancy of its neighborhoods through entrepreneurship, unique culinary contributions, and rich customs and traditions; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council is proud to promote a welcoming city for all, no matter their place of origin, and will continue to pursue and leverage partnerships and collaborations that allow every family to succeed and thrive; now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:** That this Council does hereby welcome Mohamed Ali Nur to the City of Columbus and expresses its appreciation for his work to support the people of Somalia including those living in Columbus.