



## Legislation Text

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To Recognize and Celebrate April 30th - May 6th as National Small Business Week in the City of Columbus

WHEREAS, National Small Business Week is celebrated during the first week of May every year and takes place from April 30th to May 6th this year; as the aim of this week is to honor the entrepreneurs of our country, who have played their part in bringing new ideas to life and growing our economy; and

WHEREAS, people have come from all over the world to live in the U.S., starting small-scale businesses with one shared dream to make a fortune in this gracious land of opportunity as small businesses comprise a significant portion of the U.S. economy, and are a critical lever in driving economic growth; and

WHEREAS, in 1953, the Federal Government created the Small Business Administration (S.B.A) to aid, counsel, assist and protect the interests of small business concerns, preserve free competitive enterprise, and maintain and strengthen the overall economy of our nation; and

WHEREAS, there are 30 million small businesses in the United States, over half of the U.S. workforce either owns or works for a small business; and small businesses create two out of every three net new jobs in the private sector; and

WHEREAS, Columbus' economic success is directly tied to the success and vibrancy of our small businesses community; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 122,000 small businesses in the City of Columbus of which approximately 26,000 are minority-owned; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby recognize April 30th - May 6th as National Small Business Week in the City of Columbus