

Legislation Text

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To Celebrate National Salvation Army Week (May 15-21) and Thank the Staff and Volunteers for Their Community Service

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army is well known for their iconic red kettles and bell ringing drive during the holiday season; and

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army's local impact is not limited to the winter months, as the organization provides services 365 days a year in recognition of the fact that "need knows no season"; and

WHEREAS, May 15-21 is celebrated as National Salvation Army Week across the country, in celebration of the dedication and impact of volunteers and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Central Ohio unit of The Salvation Army is especially active, with volunteers in 2022 dedicating more than 17,000 hours in service of residents of the City of Columbus, Franklin County, and Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Salvation Army in Central Ohio staff and volunteers served more than 329,000 meals, provided 120,000 nights of lodging to people experiencing homelessness, served 1,220 survivors of human trafficking, and provided after-school learning programs to more than 30,000 students; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is grateful for the efforts of the Salvation Army in Central Ohio and joins in celebrating the hardworking volunteers and staff who dedicate their time and effort in service of others; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council celebrates National Salvation Army Week from May 15-21 and thanks the staff and volunteers of The Salvation Army in Central Ohio for their community service.