



Legislation Text

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To honor and recognize Jeff Cabot for his outstanding service on the Columbus Board of Education, to the Columbus City Schools, and to the City of Columbus.

WHEREAS, Jeff Cabot was appointed to the Columbus Board of Education in 2001, and soon thereafter the school district emerged from Academic Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Cabot, the entire Columbus Board of Education, and Superintendent Dr. Gene T. Harris committed to increasing academic improvement through the adoption of innovative programming and hands-on leadership; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his leadership and that of the entire Board of Education and Dr. Harris, the Columbus City Schools, for the first time, earned the "Continuous Improvement" rating on the 2006-2007 Ohio Report Card; and

WHEREAS, Columbus City Schools also set another benchmark on the 2006-2007 Ohio Report Card, becoming the first Ohio school district to meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) goals in all 42 categories and sub-categories of the Ohio Report Card system; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus Board of Education, including Jeff Cabot, and Superintendent Dr. Gene T. Harris committed to achieving a 90 percent graduation rate for Columbus City School students by 2012; and

WHEREAS, since 2002, Columbus City Schools has increased its graduation rate by 16.9 percentage points, and is well on its way to meeting this goal; and

WHEREAS, during Jeff Cabot's tenure on the Columbus Board of Education, the district also launched a massive school facilities improvement plan that has and will continue to help provide for a quality education for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Cabot helped champion key bond initiatives that have financed positive changes in the district, while also leading the charge to revamp the district's budget process and providing careful stewardship of taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Cabot utilized his years of experience in public service, as an attorney and as the Franklin County Administrator for the benefit of the Columbus City Schools, and has been a steady hand, bringing to bear his direct and honest personality to effect change; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Cabot's service to the Columbus Board of education did not come without personal sacrifice by he and his wife Liz, but was nonetheless offered without the expectation of praise or accolades, but for the benefit of the Columbus City Schools and the City of Columbus; now therefore

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

That this Council does hereby honor and recognize Jeff Cabot for his service on the Columbus Board of Education, to the Columbus City Schools and the City of Columbus.