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To proclaim Sunday, February 3, 2008, ***Four Chaplains Sunday*** in the City of Columbus.

WHEREAS, the Armed Services of the United States have always entreated the spiritual guidance of the American soldier and sailor to a Corp of dedicated Chaplains; and

WHEREAS, this February 3rd marks the sixty-fifth anniversary of the sinking of the troop ship Dorchester, which carried to their deaths Four Chaplains of different faiths, who along with many sailors, met their deaths on that day; and

WHEREAS, these Four Chaplains, a Jewish rabbi, a Catholic Priest, a Methodist Minister and a Minister of the Dutch Reformed Church gave their own life-jackets to four soldiers and sacrificed their own lives for their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that on this anniversary, the Council of the City of Columbus give special recognition to the memory of these Four Chaplains and by so doing acknowledge all those who have served in similar circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the sacrifice of the Dorchester Chaplains is the best spirit of the Chaplain Corp in all branches of the American Armed Forces; now; therefore

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

That this Council does hereby proclaim Sunday, February 3, 2008, as ***Four Chaplains Sunday*** in Columbus, and urges the Columbus community to commemorate this day in honor of the Dorchester Chaplains and all those who have received spiritual guidance from the Chaplain Corp.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be presented as a token of our esteem.