



Legislation Text

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Councilman Ujvagi

Recognizing Great Lakes Consortium on its 20th Anniversary.

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Consortium celebrates its 20th year of service to the local and international community by bringing people together to learn and grow from different cultures instead of letting differences separate us; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Consortium was formed in 1999 with the encouragement of Congresswomen Marcy Kaptur and with creative support from Al Baldwin that resulted in the formation of a partnership with Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (formerly WSOS); and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Board of Great Lakes Consortium comes from diverse backgrounds with knowledge in training and mentoring, urban and rural activism, cultural diversity, artistic and small business development, and higher education; with support from educational institutions including the University of Toledo, Bowling Green State University, and Lourdes University; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Consortium has worked with organizations in twenty countries including Afghanistan, Albania, Belarus, Botswana, Bulgaria, Guatemala, Haiti, Hungary, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Tanzania, UAE, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, and Zambia, and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Consortium and Great Lakes Community Action Partnership have opened Toledo to the world through more than 1,400 foreign participants in Northwest Ohio and the world to more than 1,000 Americans who have traveled abroad; Have generated \$7.4 million in funding for international programs in NW Ohio; Received twenty grants from the U.S. Department of State; Eight grants from USAID Community Connection Programs; Six Open World Leadership Center grants; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Consortium has grown through the leadership of Dr. Elizabeth Balint, GLC Project Manager; Deb Martin, GLCAP Director of Community Development; and Ruthann House, President/CEO of GLCAP; they have built a strong foundation for future decades of success; NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That we recognize the Great Lakes Consortium and GLCAP, for their outstanding working in both taking the best in Northwest Ohio and America to the world, and bringing the world to us. We congratulate you on your twentieth anniversary and wish you the best in your future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: _____: yeas _____, nays _____.

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved: _____

Mayor

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council
_____.

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council