



Legislation Text

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Councilwoman Morris

Recognizing And Commending Jose Luna For 29 Years Of Dedicated And Exemplary Leadership And Service To Community Youth Through A Lifelong Career In Education.

WHEREAS, Mr. José Luna served the Toledo community for nearly three decades in a vital role of mentoring thousands of Latino teens to find their futures, as Hispanic outreach coordinator with Toledo Public Schools (TPS); and

WHEREAS, during the last twenty-nine years of service, Mr. Luna became well-known for organizing field trips, taking students to see TPS career technical preparation programs, colleges, and places of work like the GM Design Center; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Luna changed dozens of lives along the way, including Toledo Fire and Rescue Department (TFRD) Battalion Chief, Daniel Brown-Martínez, who is nearing his 20th anniversary with TFRD, and who now leads the fire cadet recruitment team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Luna has won several awards over the years for his dedicated professional service at TPS and groundbreaking community work, including as a founding member of the annual *Latino Youth Summit* held at the University of Toledo, where 600 middle school and high school students explore college and possible careers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Luna earned a *Diamante Award* for education in 1998; *Adelante* presented him with the *César Chávez Humanitarian Award* in 2012; and received a *Distinguished Hispanic Ohioan (DHO) award* from the Ohio Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs in 2019; and

WHEREAS, as a mentor, Mr. Luna often repeated motivational mantras “[*You*] are going to change your brothers and sisters lives by being successful ... there’s nothing more addicting than success;” NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. That the Council recognizes and commends, Jose Luna for his 29 years of dedicated and exemplary leadership and service to the youth of the Toledo community whom he touched through his lifelong career in the field of education.

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

Adopted: May 25, 2021: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry
President of Council

Approved:

May 25, 2021
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor