

Legislation Text

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Council Members Gadus and Hobbs

Recognizing the production team of "Sons of Toledo".

WHEREAS, although the story is one that walks a fine line between fact and fiction, "Sons of Toledo" has been received with praise and emotion, telling the fictional story of Marcus who wakes to the news of his brother's murder and the reality of providing his brother's final hair in the cold sterile room at the funeral home; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Temple, a barber and business owner, shows raw emotion if the portrayal of the grieving brother, recalling the emotion from the one experience of losing a close friend to violence; and

WHEREAS, the story written by Matt Foss and Monty Cole and directed by Cole, "Sons of Toledo" has touched audiences across the United States and internationally as far as Russia, where it has been an Official Selection in many film festivals as well as winning multiple awards; and

WHEREAS, like most things in recent years the 2022, release came with powerful feelings after the loss of life worldwide from Covid and senseless violence, with gun violence being on the hearts and minds of community members as deaths have increased in the last two years leaving people questioning what can be done to save the victims; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. That we recognize all those who worked so diligently to write, direct, produce and distribute this important film. Only by awareness and community input can change be made. With projects like Sons of Toledo, we are one step closer to positive changes.

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