



# City of Gahanna

200 South Hamilton  
Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

## Signature

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### **A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING APRIL 2025 AS EARTH MONTH AND MAY 5-9, 2025 AS AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK AND COMMITTING TO A MORE SUSTAINABLE GAHANNA**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gahanna values its rich natural resources, including amazing parks, biodiversity, old-growth trees, and vibrant waterways; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth Month provides an opportunity to reflect on our community's shared responsibility in safeguarding these assets for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth Month unites multiple initiatives, including Earth Day and Air Quality Awareness Week, encouraging collective action to address pollution-reducing initiatives, promote renewable energy sources, and improve air quality; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth Day is observed annually on April 22nd to raise awareness of environmental protection initiatives and celebrate the planet's natural beauty; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for Earth Day 2025, "Our Power, Our Planet," highlights the vital role of renewable energy that produces less carbon emissions in addressing climate change and calls for a global effort to triple renewable energy generation by 2030; and

**WHEREAS**, transitioning to renewable energy sources is essential to reducing carbon emissions, mitigating climate change, and ensuring energy security for the future; and

**WHEREAS**, Air Quality Awareness Week, observed May 5 - 9, 2025, highlights the impact of air pollution on health and the environment while encouraging actions to improve air quality; and

**WHEREAS**, Air Quality Awareness Week reinforces the importance of reducing air pollution, promoting cleaner air to benefit both human health and ecological well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, sustainability encompasses environmental, economic, and social responsibility, ensuring that today's actions protect and enhance the quality of life for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth Month 2025 presents an opportunity for individuals, communities, organizations, and governments to take meaningful steps toward a more adaptable and resilient future.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That the City of Gahanna recognizes and celebrates Earth Month 2025 and Air Quality Awareness Week by committing to the following actions:

(A) Promote the transition to renewable energy by encouraging clean energy use, supporting energy efficiency initiatives, and raising awareness of sustainable energy solutions.

(B) Advocate for improved air quality by supporting pollution-reduction initiatives and encouraging actions such as reducing vehicle emissions and planting trees.

- (C) Prioritize adaptability in municipal activities and decision-making, ensuring a balanced and responsible approach to environmental, economic, and social factors.
- (D) Collaborate with organizations, businesses, and residents to advance initiatives that support clean energy, reduce pollution, and enhance environmental stewardship.

**Section 2.** That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

At a regular meeting of the City Council on April 7, 2025, a motion was made by Renner,  
seconded by Schnetzler, that the Resolution be Adopted. The vote was as follows:

Ms. Bowers, yes; Ms. Jones, yes; Ms. McGregor, Absent; Ms. Padova, yes;  
Mr. Renner, yes; Mr. Schnetzler, yes; Mr. Weaver, yes.

President Merisa K. Bowers  
Merisa K. Bowers

Date 4/7/25

Attest by Jeremy A. Van Meter  
Jeremy A. VanMeter  
Clerk of Council

Date 4/7/2025

Approved by the Mayor Laurie A. Jadwin  
Laurie A. Jadwin

Date 4.7.2025

Approved as to Form PDT  
Priya D. Tamilarasan  
City Attorney

Date 4/7/25