



A JOINT RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 28, 2024, AS "HONORING FIRST RESPONDERS DAY" IN THE CITY OF GAHANNA

WHEREAS, There are over 25 million career and volunteer First Responders in the United States, including those in Law Enforcement, Fire and Rescue, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management, and Public Works, who serve as our first and best line of defense during emergencies; and

WHEREAS, The City of Gahanna's First Responders are vital to our community, providing 24/7 life-saving services year-round, despite weather, illness, or other hazards, with a commitment marked by personal sacrifice and integrity in duty; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio Department of Public Safety established the Office of First Responder Wellness, acknowledging the physical, mental, and emotional risks First Responders face in their essential work; and

WHEREAS, First Responders and their families make daily sacrifices, placing service above self in facing the dangers and uncertainties of their profession; and

WHEREAS, Supporting First Responders requires ongoing funding for wellness programs, recruitment, retention, onboarding, and training to meet the unique demands of their roles and ensure they have the resources to perform their duties safely and effectively; and

WHEREAS, All First Responders deserve recognition for their unwavering dedication to the well-being of our community, ensuring that everyone, irrespective of background or circumstance, can rely on their protection and care.

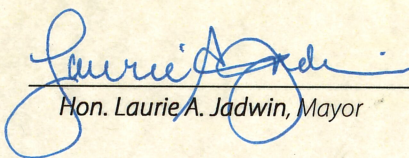
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT JOINTLY RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL AND PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO:

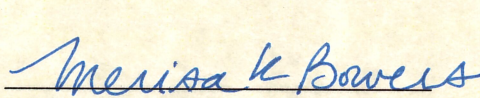
Section 1. Designate October 28, 2024, as "Honoring First Responders Day" in recognition of the vital contributions of first responders.

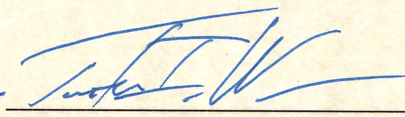
Section 2. Encourage continued State funding for wellness programs and efforts to recruit, retain, and train emergency medical, fire, police, and public safety workers.

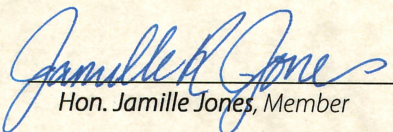
Section 3. Commit to supporting Gahanna's first responders, acknowledging their critical role in keeping the city safe.

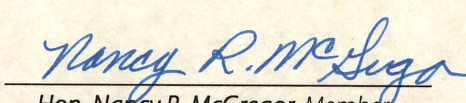
Section 4. Encourage the people of Gahanna to observe "Honoring First Responders Day" by expressing gratitude to our First Responders, learning about their contributions, and supporting their needs.

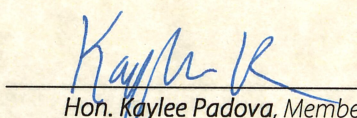

Hon. Laurie A. Jadwin, Mayor

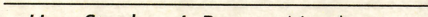

Hon. Merisa K. Bowers, President

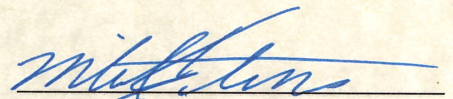

Hon. Trenton I. Weaver, Vice President


Hon. Jamille Jones, Member


Hon. Nancy R. McGregor, Member

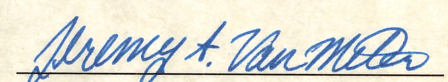

Hon. Kaylee Padova, Member


Hon. Stephen A. Renner, Member


Hon. Michael Schnetzer, Member



Certified as passed this 21st day of October, 2024.
Resolution 0037-2024
Presented to Gahanna Division of Police
& Mifflin Township Fire Department

Attest:

Jeremy A. VanMeter, Clerk of Council