

FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION WEEK

September 18 - 24, 2016

WHEREAS: Individuals, both career, and volunteer, from 911 dispatch, fire service, emergency medical service, emergency management, search and rescue, dive and other organizations in the public safety sector, come together as first responders to protect and aid the public in the event of an emergency; and

WHEREAS: Every day first responders risk their own safety and personal property in the performance of their duties to protect our citizens; and

WHEREAS: First responders are ready to aid the people of Gahanna and all of Ohio 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS: First responders are a vital part of every Ohio community who maintain safety and order in times of crisis, and volunteer in our towns and schools; and

WHEREAS: First responders are highly trained, specialized workers who contribute their excellent skills for the public good and often for no pay; and

WHEREAS: The members of first responder organizations undergo significant education, training and personal sacrifice in order to achieve the expertise required to respond to every type of emergency situation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas R. Kneeland, Mayor of the City of Gahanna, Ohio, do urge Gahanna citizens to recognize and commend the labors of all first responders. I hereby proclaim September 18 through September 24, 2016, as

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Gahanna, Ohio, to be affixed on this 18th day of September in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Sixteen.

Thomas R. Kneeland, Mayor