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To: Residents of Gahanna; Members of Council; Mayor Jadwin; City Attorney Ray Mularski
CC: Clerk of Council Jeremy VanMeter
From: Councilmember Merisa Bowers
Re: **Constituent Update - August 2023 Report**
Date: September 18, 2023

General Update - Events and Actions of August 2023:

- Celebrated **National Night Out** in Gahanna at **Sunpoint Park** with Gahanna Division of Police and the **Sunny95 Rathburn Woods** Block party on August 1!
- Attended the first **Planning Meeting for the Gahanna 175th Celebration** on August 3.
- Supported small business Haus of Hands Grand Opening party and checked out the sweet rides at the **'Rods Vettes & Classics' Car Show** at Creekside on August 5.
- Celebrated Gahanna's **Founders Day** hosted by the Gahanna Historical Society on August 12.
- Attended **Pathways to Wellness** panel discussion hosted by the Wynyki Alston Foundation at the Peak at Edison on youth, first responder, and veteran mental healthcare on August 15.
- Attended the **Prevention Action Alliance** annual luncheon on August 16 with Keynote Speaker Former US Representative Patrick Kennedy.
- Attended City/School Quarterly Meeting on August 17.
- Participated in the Gahanna Parks & Rec **Muddy Miler** on August 20.
- Attended Columbus Metropolitan Club panel on Black Maternal Mortality and prenatal and obstetric care for mothers on Aug. 23.
- Joined **Lincoln Elementary** families for Movie Night on Aug. 25.
- Cleaned up Chapelfield Elementary School grounds and visited small businesses at the Forager Collective market on **Supporting Gahanna Together Day** on August 26.



With Nyki & Alex Alston at the PAA Annual Luncheon



At Chapelfield Elementary for Supporting Gahanna Together Day!



Very Muddy on the Big Walnut Trail!

- Enjoyed food, drink, and fellowship at the Gahanna Area Chamber's **Taste of Gahanna** at Edison Brewing on August 27.
- Coordinated with 254 Youth Center Director on ways to support participants.

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Constituent Hours

Throughout August, maintained a presence at many community events including the Farmer's Markets and city parks!

Join me on October 14 (Note NEW date!) for the Fall Litter Clean Up hosted by [Make Gahanna Yours!](#)

You may sign up for periodic email updates from Councilwoman Bowers here:

<https://forms.gle/PMTu8eH5Fy4bN4Si8>

To schedule a meeting, coffee, or call, please email merisa.bowers@gahanna.gov or call 614-342-0040.

Constituent Issues/Concerns:

1. Bryn Mawr drainage
Contacted by constituent regarding drainage concerns in Bryn Mawr; followed up with Ward 4 Councilmember Weaver; followed up with constituent; in progress.
2. COVID-19 Precautions
Received emails regarding COVID-19 precautions, responded to constituents.
3. Tobacco Retail License
Received emails from residents in support of tobacco retail license; forwarded to Council Clerk.
4. Senior Center Use as Polling Location
Received email from resident concerning use of the Gahanna Senior Center as a voting location; followed up with Board of Elections and responded to resident.
5. Safe Routes Partnership
Email from resident regarding nonprofit organization with resources regarding safe infrastructure development for students, pedestrians, and cyclists. Responded and forwarded information to Directors.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Merisa K. Bowers
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