



Legislation Text

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A JOINT RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION HONORING AND COMMENDING PAM RIPLEY, DEPUTY CLERK OF COUNCIL, FOR HER YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF GAHANNA

WHEREAS, the City of Gahanna expresses its sincerest appreciation to Pam Ripley and honors her for her dedicated career in public service, consisting of 31 total years, with 17.5 dedicated to her hometown, the great City of Gahanna; and

WHEREAS, Pam began her career with the City of Gahanna in October 2006 as an Administrative Assistant in the Parks & Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, Pam was promoted to Office Coordinator for the Parks & Recreation Department in January 2014, and throughout her time with Parks & Recreation, Pam served as Clerk to the Parks & Recreation Board, Gahanna Parks & Recreation Foundation Board, and Landscape Board; and

WHEREAS, With Pam's historical knowledge, take charge attitude, and welcoming personality, she lovingly earned and celebrated the name of "Queen Bee" throughout the Parks and Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, Pam was promoted to Deputy Clerk of Council in May 2021, where she served continuously as Clerk to the Planning Commission and Records Commission, and served as interim Clerk of Council from February to March 2022; and

WHEREAS, Pam supported the city's boards and commissions and City Council by preparing agendas and legislative files, coordinating with officials and the public, clerking meetings, and recording the official minutes for over 300 public meetings for the City of Gahanna; and

WHEREAS, one of Pam's priorities as Deputy Clerk of Council has been to build bridges across the City departments and offices, which included working diligently to improve the City's records retention schedule, responding to public records requests, supporting the onboarding for board and commission members, and assembling the information necessary for board and commission

members to carry out their respective duties; and

WHEREAS, Pam has been an ardent supporter of the City of Gahanna, willingly stepping up to serve as Volunteer Coordinator for many years with Visit Gahanna in support of the annual Holiday Lights Celebration as well as the Creekside Blues & Jazz Festival, where she helped to organize, grow, and elevate the volunteer program for the largest event in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gahanna expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Pam for her decades of dedication to public service and wishes her much happiness as she begins an exciting new chapter in her life.

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

Section 1. That the City of Gahanna does hereby honor and commend Pam Ripley, Deputy Clerk of Council, on her retirement and offers its congratulations and accolades for her unwavering dedication and successful career with the City.

Section 2. That the Council, Mayor, and city colleagues wish Pam many years of continued happiness and good health.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest period allowed by law.