

RESOLUTION 2020 – 16

DECLARING THE CITY OF MASON, OHIO A PURPLE HEART CITY

WHEREAS, Chartered by an Act of Congress in 1958 for combat wounded veterans, the Military Order of the Purple Heart is composed of military men and women who received the Purple Heart Medal, which is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to members of the Armed Forces wounded in combat with an enemy force and posthumously to the next of kin of members of the Armed Forces killed in combat; and

WHEREAS, the “Military Order of the Purple Heart” organization was formed in 1932 for the protection and mutual interest of all who have received the combat decoration, it is composed exclusively of Purple Heart recipients, and is the only congressionally chartered veterans service organization comprised strictly of “combat” veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Order of the Purple Heart for Military Merit, established by General George Washington during the Revolutionary War at Newburgh, New York, on August 7, 1782, is the oldest military decoration in the world in present use; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of this date and the estimated 1.7 million veterans since World War I who have been awarded this medal of honor, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Mason desire to be among the first of many to become a “Purple Heart City” and to declare November 9, 2020 as “Purple Heart Day” as a tribute to the service and sacrifices of all veterans, and especially the valor of the extraordinary men and women who have earned the Purple Heart.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio hereby designates and proclaims the City of Mason, Ohio a Purple Heart City

Section 2. This resolution confirms the City’s commitment to honor those who serve and have served so faithfully in defense of our freedoms as Americans and gratefully acknowledge their sacrifice, bravery, and unwavering commitment as patriots.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 9th day of November, 2020.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council