## **RESOLUTION 2021 – 22**

## **RECOGNIZING MASON'S COMMITMENT TO FAMILIES**

WHEREAS, "It takes a village to raise a child" is an African proverb that means that an entire community of people must provide for and interact positively with children for those children to experience and grow in a safe and healthy environment; and

**WHEREAS,** creating a safe and healthy environment is the foundation for families to thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, Mason's mission for building a culture of wellness reminds us of the fundamental purpose and need for a safe and healthy environment; and

WHEREAS, a well community creates strong families and the infrastructure for children to grow; and

**WHEREAS**, creating a strong family bond encourages better behavior in children, improves academic performance, strengthens communication, teaches your child how to be a good friend and to be kind and compassionate to others; and

**WHEREAS**, City services such as Fire, Police, Campus Safety Team, Engineering and Building, Public Works, and Public Utilities help provide a safe and secure environment for families while at work, school, home or play; and

**WHEREAS**, City parks, playgrounds, ball fields, bike paths, nature trails, open spaces, Mason Municipal Aquatic Center, Golf Center and the Mason Community Center provide spaces to allow families to bond by sharing time together; and

**WHEREAS**, City amenities are intentionally designed to foster a culture of inclusivity and accessibility in order to help children and adults of all abilities to interact together and form special connections; and

**WHEREAS,** City amenities such as Makino Park remind us of the commitment our business community has to the health and well-being of all Mason families.

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

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio hereby commits to remain vigilant in their efforts to create safe and healthy environments for families to grow in the City of Mason, Ohio.

Section 2. That citizens are encouraged to take advantage of the many opportunities to enjoy Mason's amenities creating strong family bonds and an atmosphere for children to thrive.

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

Passed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.

Attest:

Mayor

Clerk of Council