## **RESOLUTION 2023 - 6**

## ENDORSING WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. TO RECEIVE FEDERAL DESIGNATION AS WARREN COUNTY'S COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

WHEREAS Community Action Agencies were established as part of President Johnson's War on Poverty and are locally controlled agencies designed to meet local needs; and

WHEREAS each county must be served by a Community Action Agency and the Community Action Commission of Warren County (now WCCS, Inc.) became a delegate agency of SCOPE (now Miami Valley Community Action Partnership) in 1975; and

WHEREAS 14,548 Warren County Citizens live in poverty, including 5,819 Warren County children; and

WHEREAS WCCS, Inc. has provided services to Warren County since 1966 and in that time has assisted thousands of families in poverty, putting them on a path towards self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS WCCS, Inc. provides programming and services in the following areas: early childhood education, affordable, high-quality childcare, aging and elderly housing, nutrition, socialization, and care coordination, energy, rental, and emergency assistance, high school workforce development, transportation, adult literacy, and meaningful volunteerism; and

WHEREAS WCCS, Inc. finds solutions and support for nearly 9,000 individuals and families a year; and

WHEREAS federal Community Services Block Grant dollars for Warren County have been passed through the Miami Valley Community Action Partnership to WCCS, Inc. for over 47 years, causing WCCS, Inc. to lose significant administrative support to fulfill our mission; and

WHEREAS WCCS, Inc. has the staff, expertise and resources needed to serve Warren County and our partner agencies without interruption.

**NOW THEREFORE**, BE IT UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio:

<u>Section 1.</u> That Mason City Council unanimously supports WCCS, Inc. in receiving the designation as the Community Action Agency for Warren County.

<u>Section 2.</u> That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to WCCS, Inc.

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 February, 2023.

	Mayor	
Attest:		
Clerk of Council		