

RESOLUTION 2023 – 15

DECLARING MAY 2023 AS SERVICE DEPARTMENT MONTH IN MASON

WHEREAS, work provided by the Service Department in our community is an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives and in times of natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on these resources, facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, the City's move to a Service Department model for providing services related to public works, public utilities, park maintenance and engineering and building builds on the City's collaborative approach for sharing equipment and personnel resources to accomplish overall organizational priorities.

WHEREAS, this model also aligns with Mason's core values for communication, coordination, collaboration, compassion and cost savings across departments strengthening efficiencies and aligning organizational priorities.

WHEREAS, the month of May is used to educate the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, sustainable and livable buildings that are essential to America's prosperity, and encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes and the work of local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

WHEREAS, work at the City's Water Reclamation Plant (WRP), municipal lift stations, storm water program, sanitary collection system, storm water collection system, and the industrial pretreatment program serve a vital public need for maintaining a safe and healthy community and an integral part of protecting the Nation's health and environment.

WHEREAS, services provided including street maintenance, snow and ice removal, brush chipping, leaf collection, street sweeping, mowing public right-of-way, litter control, maintaining guard rails and traffic signs, street light repair, tornado sirens, vehicle maintenance, sidewalk repair, storm sewer maintenance, catch basin restoration, park and field maintenance, responding to emergencies and tree removal ensure accessibility to a clean and safe community for residents and businesses, and;

WHEREAS, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff the Service Department is materially influenced by the people's attitudes and understanding of the importance of the work they perform.

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 designates and proclaims May as National Service Department month in the City of Mason.

Section 2. That all citizens and civic organizations of the City of Mason are encouraged to recognize the contributions that Service Department staff make every day to their health, safety and comfort.

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

Passed this 8th day of May, 2023.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council