

**RESOLUTION 2024 – 3**

**PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY AS  
HEART HEALTH LITERACY MONTH IN MASON**

**WHEREAS**, this month of February is designated as Heart Health Month in the US, a time to focus on new research outcomes and educate the community on cardiovascular health; and

**WHEREAS**, educating and highlighting heart health is important because statistics show that someone has a heart attack or stroke every 40 seconds and heart disease continues to be the leading cause of all deaths in the US since 1950s; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mason will again lead a Heart Health Literacy Initiative throughout February in collaboration with the American Heart Association, TriHealth and corporate partners to raise awareness and highlight the innovations happening at Mason biohealth companies to residents, businesses and employees; and

**WHEREAS**, Heart Health Literacy Month highlights Mason’s commitment to cultivating a culture of wellness through educating the corporate and residential community to have a better understanding of what it means to be heart healthy; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mason is growing a biohub of med-tech businesses that are developing ground-breaking cardiac solutions in Mason and are dramatically changing the standard of care for heart patients; and

**WHEREAS**, Mason-based companies AtriCure (innovating to treat and eradicate Afib and related conditions globally) and Genetesis (developing breakthrough technology to help detect irregular heart conditions) and Trihealth (Ohio’s only affiliate with Cleveland Clinic Heart, Vascular, and Thoracic Institute) are leading the way; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Diana K. Nelson, Mayor of Mason, Ohio, on behalf of the Mason City Council, do hereby proclaim February as Heart Health Literacy Month and thereby call upon the community to increase awareness, seek education, and grow understanding of cardiovascular disease in order to maintain heart health as part of the City’s mission of building a culture of wellness in the community.

Passed this 12th day of February, 2024.

Attest:

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Mayor

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Clerk of Council