

## <u>PROCLAMATION</u>

## Special Recognition of Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

**WHEREAS**, in 1967, Boards of Developmental Disabilities were created in Ohio under House Bill 169 including the Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board; and

**WHEREAS**, through the work of legislators and other stakeholder groups, including families and community-based organizations, public policy changes like the Americans with Disabilities Act have been developed to support and maximize the independence of people with developmental disabilities to create a more inclusive society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board has made investments to support individuals so that residents with disabilities may live more independently and find meaningful employment; and

WHEREAS, the Summit County Developmental Disabilities Board is asking the City of Hudson in recognizing March 7, 2022 as Inclusion Day, in which we recognize and support people of all abilities who are maximizing their talents and potential in pursuing their dreams and achieving their individual goals, while making significant contributions to our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Christopher W. Foster, Acting Mayor of the City of Hudson, Ohio, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 2022, as

## "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month"

in the City of Hudson, Ohio, and commend the community organizations, agencies, and direct service professionals for their dedication, awareness efforts, and outstanding assistance toward improving the quality of life for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

## **IN WITNESS WHEREOF:**

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Hudson to be affixed on this 1st day of March, 2022.

Christopher W. Foster, Acting Mayor City of Hudson, Ohio