



## **P R O C L A M A T I O N**

### ***Recognition of Dr. Charlie M. Kimpesa***

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Charlie M. Kimpesa provides critical medical care at the Ganta United Methodist Hospital in Ganta, Liberia, West Africa, where approximately 30,000 patients are treated annually; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimpesa's efforts became known to Hudson Citizens Paula Shaw and Terri Wilhelm during visits to Ganta, Liberia, in 2014 and 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimpesa's visit to Hudson from March 9<sup>th</sup> through April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017, has enabled him to secure humanitarian aid in the form of much needed medical supplies and equipment for his patients in Ganta through MedWish International; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimpesa has also gained invaluable knowledge of medical procedures by shadowing the following local physicians:

- Dr. Edward Barksdale, Division Chief, Pediatric Surgery University Hospitals Rainbow, Babies and Children's Hospital, Professor of Surgery at Case Western Reserve School of Medicine
- Dr. William Donahue, DPM, Foot and Ankle Surgery, Wound Care Specialist
- Dr. Steven Goldman, Board Certified in Plastic Surgery and Board Certified in Otolaryngology / Head & Neck Surgery
- Dr. Robert McGregor, Chief Medical Officer Akron Children's Hospital
- Dr. Rufus Rueben, Internal Medicine Geriatrics, Summa Health System
- Dr. Seth Silberman, Board Certified in Otolaryngology, Hillcrest Hospital and Surg Center Cleveland; and

**WHEREAS**, Hewitt and Paula Shaw have been honored to host Dr. Kimpesa during his stay in Hudson.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, David A. Basil, Mayor of the City of Hudson, Ohio, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017, as

#### **“DR. CHARLIE KIMPESA DAY IN THE CITY OF HUDSON”**

and urge all residents of Hudson to recognize Dr. Kimpesa's important efforts to improve medical care for the people of Liberia on this day.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF:**

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Hudson to be affixed on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

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David A. Basil, Mayor  
City of Hudson, Ohio