

PROCLAMATION

Special Recognition of Colt Nelman

WHEREAS, Colt Nelman won the title of Local Masters World Champion during the 2025 International Soap Box Derby event held in Akron, Ohio, on July 19th; and

WHEREAS, Colt joins a very prestigious and short list of competitors, being only the second champion in the event's 87 year history to hail from Hudson, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Standing 6 feet, 1 inches tall with size 13 shoes, Colt has been confirmed by the official historian of the All-American Soap Box Derby to be the tallest champion in the event's history; and

WHEREAS, Colt has been racing soap box derby cars since he was 7 years old and has achieved many accomplishments; however, this was Colt's first Heat win ever that eventually led to his World Championship and stands as a testament to his tenacity to keep trying and to never give up, and

WHEREAS, Colt's time and dedication to the sport along with the support of his family and friends, are a further testament to the results that can be obtained by not only hard work but also unwavering perseverance.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor of the City of Hudson, do hereby recognize Colt Nelman for his outstanding accomplishment at the 2025 International Soap Box Derby event.

AND FURTHERMORE, I encourage residents, families and friends of our youth to show up, be present and support their goals, dreams and accomplishments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Hudson to be affixed on this 19th day of August, 2025.

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor City of Hudson, Ohio