





## PROCLAMATION

## Special Recognition of America Recycles Day

**WHEREAS**, each year, the United States generates more than 250 million tons of municipal solid waste - that's more than 4 pounds per person per day. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, our nation has reached an overall recycling rate of approximately 34.5 percent. Each year, our national recycling rate:

- Sends 87 million tons of material to a useful second life instead of the landfill;
- Saves the same amount of energy consumed by over 10 million U.S. households in a year; and
- Avoids greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to removing more than 33 million cars. But, much more can be done.

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to focus the nation's attention on the importance of recycling, businesses, industries, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and individuals have joined together to celebrate America Recycles Day and are encouraging their friends, neighbors, and coworkers to pledge to learn more about recycling options in their community and commit to recycle more materials; and

**WHEREAS**, participating in America Recycles Day 2017 is one way citizens can help raise awareness about the need to reduce waste by reusing, recycling, and buying recycled-content products; and

**WHEREAS**, Hudson City Council, the Environmental Awareness Committee, the Keep Hudson Beautiful Subcommittee, and City staff can also use this as an opportunity to spread the word about the excellent recycling programs that have been established, the growth of markets for recyclable materials, and the importance of buying recycled products.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, David A. Basil, Mayor of the City of Hudson, Ohio, do hereby proclaim November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017, as

## "America Recycles Day"

in Hudson and encourage citizens and local business owners to learn about materials that can be recycled, to reduce personal waste through recycling, and to encourage others to participate in recycling efforts.

IN WITNESS	WHEREOF:
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I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Hudson to be affixed on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

David A. Basil, Mayor City of Hudson, Ohio