

Hamilton County Board of Commissioners

PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE

WHEREAS, Ukraine has been an independent nation since 1991, proclaiming its independence on August 24, 1991, following the collapse of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (U.S.S.R); and

WHEREAS, Ukraine is the second-largest country by area in Europe and is home to 44 million citizens; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, the Russian Federation launched an invasion of Ukraine, which numerous stakeholders in the international community have condemned, including the United States, United Nations and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (N.A.T.O); and

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights declares all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights, and have the right to live in peace; and

WHEREAS, the number of civilian and military casualties and wounded grows as the invasion continues; and

WHEREAS, we denounce the killing of innocent men, women, and children in Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County stands in solidarity with the people of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge, appreciate, and stand with Ukrainian Americans living in Hamilton County and extend our heartfelt thoughts and prayers to them; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of the Russian Federation has engaged in a direct violation of human rights, and the Board of County Commissioners joins countless others in wishing for a swift end to the senseless violence and needless loss of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners stands with the people of Ukraine in their fight for freedom and commends those who have answered the call to defend their rights against an unjustified attack.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners does hereby declare on this third day of March 2022, that:

HAMILTON COUNTY STANDS IN UNITY WITH THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE

in all of Hamilton County, Ohio

BY ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

Stephanie Summerow Dumas, Presiden	
Alicia Reece, Vice President	