

American Heart Association Start! Akron Heart Walk

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association is the oldest and largest national non-profit voluntary health organization in the world, dedicated to reducing disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke, our nation's number one and three killers; and

WHEREAS, each year, heart disease and stroke claim more than 1.4 million American lives — more than any other disease. Heart disease costs American business an estimated \$265 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, with people of all ages, races and ethnicities at risk, the American Heart Association is working to spread the word about lifesaving knowledge and advancing groundbreaking medical research to help Americans lead stronger, longer lives; and

WHEREAS, the Start! Akron Heart Walk, scheduled for Saturday, October 9, 2010 at the University of Akron, is the American Heart Association's signature walking event, designed to raise both live saving funds and to engage local employees in embracing physical fitness; and

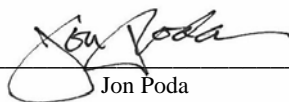
WHEREAS, the goal of the Start! Akron Heart Walk is to raise \$450,000 to fund research and educational programs to support many important discoveries, such as CPR, life-extending drugs, pacemakers, bypass surgery, the heart-lung machine and surgical techniques to repair heart defects. These and other advances are making it possible for many heart disease patients to call themselves "survivors."

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all and declared by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio that this Council recognizes the vital health conscious contribution this event will make in this community.

We urge all citizens to join in honoring the American Heart Association's Start! Akron Heart Walk on this 21st day of April in the year 2010, and wish them the best in their efforts.



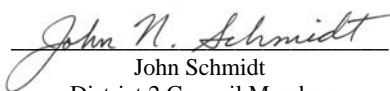
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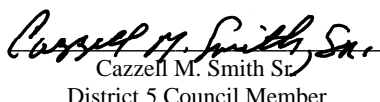
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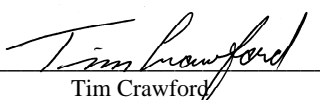
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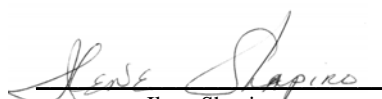
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