

Dan Rice

WHEREAS, the Ohio & Erie Canalway Coalition, is a private, non-profit organization working on the development of the Ohio & Erie Canal Heritage Canalway providing educational programs, events and publications about the Heritage Canalway while developing strong working relationships with partners to preserve and interpret the natural, historical and recreational resources throughout the corridor; and

WHEREAS, Dan Rice has served as President and CEO of the Coalition since its inception in 1989, providing strong leadership with community and government leaders throughout the 110 mile corridor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rice has worked with more than 100 organizations and raised more than \$25 million dollars in funding for the preservation of historic structures in the development of the Ohio-Erie Canal Towpath Trail; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rice chaired the Ohio Bicentennial Commission Transportation Advisory Council, celebrating the rich transportation history in Ohio for the bicentennial and served on the Ohio Department of Development's (ODOD) Heritage Ohio Tourism Taskforce on the development of the State Heritage Program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rice has worked with community groups, businesses and organizations on organizational development, building public/private partnerships, fund-raising strategies, management plans, marketing initiatives and government relations.

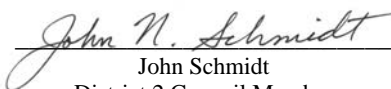
NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all and declared by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio that:

This Council recognizes the contributions that Dan Rice has made to the citizens of Summit County; and with great pleasure we salute and commend his outstanding accomplishments.

We urge all citizens to join in honoring this fine and upstanding man in receiving this commendation on this 3rd day of April in the year 2009.



Frank C. Comunale
District 4 Council Member



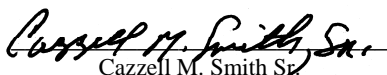
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District 3 Council Member



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Council President



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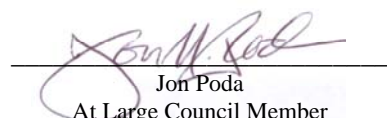
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At Large Council Member



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At Large Council Member



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