

## National Missing Children's Day

**WHEREAS**, National Missing Children's Day is an annual reminder to the nation to make child safety an utmost priority and honors the nationwide commitment to help locate and recover missing children; and

**WHEREAS**, the 1979 disappearance of 6-year old Etan Patz from a New York street corner on his way to school served as the impetus for the creation of National Missing Children's Day; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1983, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed May 25<sup>th</sup> to be National Missing Children's Day and this day has been observed by every administration since; and

**WHEREAS**, in the United States nearly 800,000 children are reported missing a year, more than 58,000 children are abducted by nonfamily members and more than 2,000 children are missing every day; and

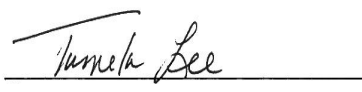
**WHEREAS**, Guardians Against Sexual Predators (G.A.S.P.) is an organization that provides trained volunteers who deliver programs and education for child safety and protection in Summit County; and

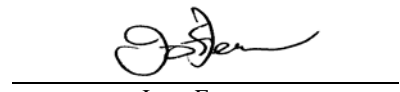
**WHEREAS**, G.A.S.P. has sponsored an event at Hardesty Park in observance of National Missing Children's Day where many resources will be shared to help families and communities learn more how they can talk to their children about safety, prevent child abductions and increase the safety of their neighborhoods; and


**WHEREAS**, in the interest of promoting activities of G.A.S.P. and to promote activities and programs among Summit County's communities, libraries, schools and governments, this Council desires to support National Missing Children's Day in Summit County; and

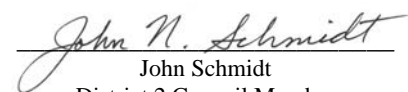
**NOW THEREFORE**, be it known and declared by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio, that Wednesday, May 25, 2011 be declared **National Missing Children's Day** and all residents of the County are encouraged to participate in any events and programs offered by the communities, libraries, schools and governments of the County that promote missing children awareness.


  
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At Large Council Member

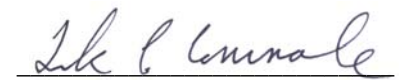
  
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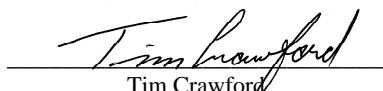
  
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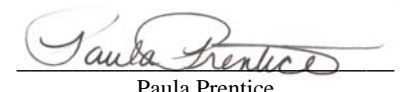
  
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