

# COUNCIL CHAMBER

City of Berea, Ohio

RESOLUTION No. 2021-44  
By Jim Maxwell Sponsored By Mayor Cyril M. Kleem

## A RESOLUTION

### PROUDLY ACCEPTING THE DESIGNATION OF THE CITY OF BEREA AS A PURPLE HEART CITY.

**WHEREAS**, the Military Order of the Purple Heart was chartered by an Act of Congress in 1958 and is composed of military men and women who have received the Purple Heart medal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to members of the Armed Forces wounded in combat with an enemy force and posthumously to the next of kin of members of the Armed Forces killed in combat; and

**WHEREAS**, the Military Order of the Purple Heart organization was formed in 1932 for the protection and mutual interest of all who have received the Purple Heart medal and is the only Congressionally-chartered Veterans service organization comprised exclusively of combat Veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Order of the Purple Heart for Military Merit was created by General George Washington at Newburgh, N.Y., on August 7, 1782, during the Revolutionary War, and is the oldest military decoration in the world in present use; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of the creation of the Purple Heart on August 7, 1782, and to honor the estimated 2 million Veterans who have been awarded the medal since World War I, the City of Berea was designated a Purple Heart City as a tribute to the service and sacrifices of our Veterans and especially the valor of the extraordinary men and women who earned the Purple Heart.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Berea, State of Ohio:

**SECTION 1.** That the City of Berea proudly accepts the designation of a Purple Heart City, and reaffirms its commitment to honor those who serve and have served so faithfully in defense of our freedom as Americans and to gratefully acknowledge their sacrifice, bravery and unwavering commitment as patriots.

**SECTION 2.** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the approval of this Resolution were approved in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall take effect, and be in force, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: September 20, 2021

[Signature]  
President of Council

ATTEST: [Signature]  
Clerk of Council

APPROVED: September 26, 2021  
[Signature]  
Mayor

Approved as to Form:

[Signature]  
ASST. Director of Law