

RESOLUTION NO. 2008 - 3

DECLARING THE WEEK OF APRIL 27-MAY 3, 2008  
AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

**WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Week was established in April as the official time to recognize and celebrate the efforts of volunteers at the local, state and national levels; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteerism strengthens communities, solves vital social concerns and enhances the overall quality of life for all citizens, including children, seniors, those who are disabled, or otherwise in need of assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteering changes the lives of volunteers in a positive way by: increasing self confidence, self esteem and physical well-being; offering the chance to make new friends; and opening up opportunities to learn new skills and abilities; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteerism is proven to have a positive influence on organizations that are socially responsible by increasing employee morale, loyalty and teamwork, and building goodwill toward the organization; and

**WHEREAS**, nonprofits, charities, community and faith-based groups, schools, and national service programs have joined together with state and local governments in celebration and praise of volunteers who have given tirelessly and selflessly to the service of others; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mason has realized countless hours of service, significant savings of time and expense, and improved quality of service available to the public through the services of volunteers, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mason is grateful for the efforts and service offered by the many individuals willing to provide their time to serve their community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That the council of the City of Mason hereby designates and proclaims April 27-May 3, 2008 as Volunteer Week.

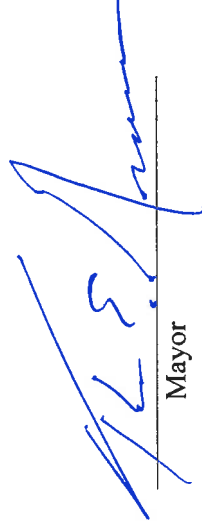
Section 2. That the residents of the City of Mason are encouraged to promote the spirit of volunteerism; to observe the week with appropriate activities, programs and ceremonies supporting volunteerism; and to participate and engage others in volunteer activities now and for as long as they are able.

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

Passed this 21st day of April 2008.

Attest:

  
Teresa Schulte, Clerk of Council

  
Mayor