

**LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAMATION**



April 30, 2020

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2020 FOSTER PARENT RECOGNITION MONTH
IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO**

WHEREAS, every child has the inherent right to grow up in a safe, permanent, loving family, and this experience lays the foundation for a happy and productive adulthood; and

WHEREAS, a growing number of individuals and families in our communities are becoming foster parents; thus enabling children of all ages, races, and cultures, mental and physical conditions, and emotional needs to become valued members of their families; and

WHEREAS, a network of foster families is a fundamental part of providing constant nurturing and support to children and families who need time to heal and put their lives back together; and

WHEREAS, these parents accept as their reward the opportunity to see children develop, grow, reach beyond the expected, and become a viable part of the community with a stronger self-image; and

WHEREAS, citizens should be encouraged to demonstrate their respect and gratitude for foster parents who unselfishly share their lives; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services works diligently to ensure safe and loving homes for Lake County's children and to increase the public awareness of the importance of foster care.

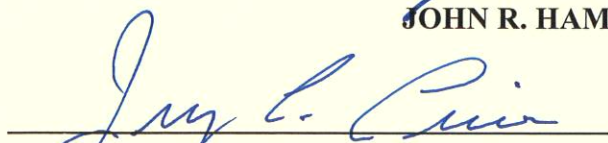
NOW THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners in and for Lake County hereby proclaims

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and urges all citizens to recognize the valuable service of foster families in their communities.

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JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT


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