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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CELEBRATE RECORD-BREAKING 2021 FAIR SEASON; THE BIGGEST COUNTY FAIR IN 169 YEARS

PAINESVILLE, OH, August 12, 2021 – The Lake County Fair (held from July 27th- August 1st) was a phenomenal success with 133,384 people in attendance; a new record that surpassed the previous one set in 2001. In their August 12th meeting, the Lake County Board of Commissioners issued a resolution honoring the Fair Board and staff who played such a key role in its success.

Beginning with the huge crowd that witnessed the kickoff parade, people rushed to make their way to the fairgrounds and attendance held steady throughout the entire week. “The overall operations, educational value, and promotion of local interest in our agriculture and community spirit is second to none”, commented Commissioner John Hamercheck. “We are so pleased to recognize this outstanding achievement.” Family Day was the largest Wednesday attendance on record and the Monster Truck show and Demolition Derby events were returning crowd favorites. The fair truly featured something for everyone with offerings like Senior Day, Kids Day, and Latino Day.

The 4-H Livestock Auction attracted 75 buyers that raised a record \$289,000; almost \$100,000 above the previous high. Commissioner Plecnik, in addition to taking a turn as The Voice of the Fair, won the auction for the Reserve Champion Project Goat which was raised by 4-H member Teagan Pfeister. “We are so proud of this year’s 4-H youth. They really embody the Head, Heart, Hands, and Health pledge”, stated Commissioner John Plecnik. He followed up with, “I am so pleased to have been a part of the biggest fair in Lake County history!”

“Lake County has a long tradition of cooperation between our Fair Board, local officials, and the agricultural community”, noted Commissioner Ron Young. “The Board is happy to join in the celebration of the hard work of Wade Crofoot, the Fair Board, and staff on such a successful and record-breaking year!”