The Board of County Commissioners of Van Wert County, Ohio, met in regular session in the office of said Board on the 2nd day of May, 2017, with the following members present: Mr. Todd D. Wolfrum, Mr. Stan D. Owens, and Mr. Thad Lichtensteiger.

Mr. Wolfrum moved the adoption of the following PROCLAMATION:

Whereas, the National Day of Prayer has been part of our country’s heritage since the first one was declared by the Continental Congress in 1775; and

Whereas, leaders of our Nation have relied upon the power of prayer throughout American history; and

Whereas, prayer has helped pull people through struggles and fears of every kind and also serves as a wonderful way to express love, gratitude, and concern, whether in private or amongst family and friends. Throughout our nation's history, leaders have urged citizens of faith to pray for our land and those who defend our freedoms at home and abroad. For many, prayer is an important part of their daily lives, and on May 4, 2017, we join with people across our country in uniting in a National Day of Prayer; therefore, be it

Resolved, that this Board of Van Wert County Commissioners does hereby proclaim May 4, 2017, as the

National Day of Prayer

in Van Wert County and urges Van Wert County residents to remember our nation in prayer, asking for God’s blessing, guidance, grace, and protection for our great nation as we address the challenges of our times.

Mr. Owens seconded the motion. The roll was called upon its adoption, and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Wolfrum, Yea; Mr. Owens, Yea; and Mr. Lichtensteiger, Yea.

Chairman of the Board

Stan D. Owens