

Proclamation

BE IT PROCLAIMED:

WHEREAS, the Reserve Unit of the Xenia Police Division has served the City of Xenia for over 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Reserve Officers volunteer their duty time without pay, they must work a minimum of 8 hours per month, and they must meet the same training standards as regular officers to stay in good status; and

WHEREAS, Reserve Officers hold a responsible position contributing to the safety and well-being of this community and regularly assist career Xenia Police Division officers in the prevention and detection of crime and the general enforcement of laws while assigned specific police functions, including but not limited to assisting with community events, DUI checkpoints, and location security for "Tell It To The Mayor" with former Mayor Patricia L. Felton; and

WHEREAS, Harry M. "Marty" Murphy III is one of the last two reserve officers who started the program as a civilian volunteer and was sent to the Police Academy by the City; and

WHEREAS, prior to his service with the City, Marty served in the United States Marine Corps for six years and was sworn in as a Reserve Officer by Chief Harold Miller in May 1971; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Marty was always willing to go beyond the call of duty and was ready to assist at any time, he served in the reserve ranks as an Officer, Lieutenant, and Captain, and he was recognized as Reserve Officer of the Year in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Marty officially retired from his Reserve Officer position effective February 28, 2014, after 42 years of dedicated service.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Marsha J. Bayless, Mayor of the City of Xenia, Ohio, do hereby proclaim November 2014 as

"Xenia Police Reserve Officer Appreciation Month"

and thank Reserve Officer Murphy for his many selfless years of honorable and dedicated service as a volunteer in this community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Xenia, Ohio, to be affixed this 25th day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Fourteen.

Marsha J. Bayless

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Honorable Mayor of Xenia, Ohio

