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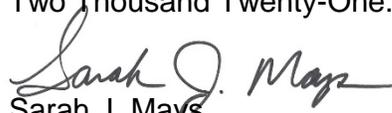
BE IT PROCLAIMED:

- WHEREAS,** Eugene “Gene” C. Fischer graduated from Fairborn Park Hills High School in 1974, earned an associate’s degree in law enforcement from Clark Technical College, a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice from Capital University, and a master’s degree in criminal justice administration from Tiffin University; and
- WHEREAS,** he was hired as a Xenia Police Officer on May 2, 1983, was promoted to Police Sergeant on October 27, 1997, resigned his position on July 5, 2003, to be appointed as Greene County Sheriff, and was returned to office by County voters in subsequent elections, serving four-year successive terms since that time; and
- WHEREAS,** Sheriff Fischer served as a past board member and past president of the Buckeye State Sheriffs’ Association and was attending its annual event in Sandusky and suffered a medical emergency; and
- WHEREAS,** he led many initiatives to make our community a better place, including his outstanding efforts to help reintegrate incarcerated individuals struggling with addiction back into this community, improving the lives of many; and
- WHEREAS,** he was involved in many community events throughout the years including supporting children’s projects at the Greene County Fair, driving around the County on Halloween to hand out candy to trick-or-treaters, and even performing a stand-up comedy routine filled with his favorite “Dad jokes” at a local comedy club to raise money for Michael’s House, a domestic abuse shelter for Greene County children; and
- WHEREAS,** Sheriff Fischer was a pillar in Greene County, serving as an exceptionally principled leader and public servant who deeply cared for this community. Capable and humble, he led by example and always did what was right, even when it was uncomfortable. He was a gentle soul who treated everyone with dignity and respect. No one questioned his integrity. He was a friend to all who knew him and always greeted everyone with a smile ... and usually a joke.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sarah J. Mays, Mayor of the City of Xenia, Ohio, on behalf of the Xenia City Council, Appointed Officials, and Public Safety staff, do hereby posthumously honor Greene County Sheriff Gene Fischer for his 38 outstanding years of faithful service to the citizens of Greene County, Ohio, and his dedication to his fellow law enforcement brothers and sisters whom he mentored and served as an excellent example for all to follow. I ask that you join me in extending deepest condolences to his wife, Gail, and their daughter, Brittany, and all who knew and loved him. Rest easy, sir. We’ll take it from here. End of Watch November 16, 2021.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Xenia, Ohio, to be affixed this 23rd day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-One.


Sarah J. Mays

Honorable Mayor of Xenia, Ohio

