

PROCLAMATION

From the Office of the Mayor The City of Dayton, Ohio

WHEREAS, Dayton is a globally connected city, with six Sister Cities including Augsburg, Germany, Oiso, Japan, Monrovia, Liberia, Holon, Israel, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Rushmoor, United Kingdom, as well as being a Welcoming City for immigrants and refugees across the world and maintaining a wide variety of historical and current global relationships; and

WHEREAS, Having once been the invention capital of the United States with the most patents per capita in the early 1900s, Dayton's inventions have continued to have an international impact used by millions every day, including the airplane, the cash register, the self-starting ignition for automobiles, the pop tap beverage can and many more; and

WHEREAS, Ranked among the top 100 metro areas in both exports and export-related jobs, including over 30,000 Dayton jobs and bringing a value of \$4.7 billion dollars to the economy, as well as engaging a large amount of veterans, wherein the State of Ohio 1 in 13 individuals are veterans; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's colleges and universities, including the University of Dayton and Sinclair Community College, together enroll over 35,000 international students per year, contributing nearly \$1.3 billion to Ohio's economy; and

WHEREAS, Since 1961, over 7,000 Peace Corps volunteers from Ohio have served overseas, and along with Dayton's legacy as a City of Peace with the Dayton Peace Accords and the Dayton International Peace Museum, work together to encourage peace and cooperation in our community and our world; and

WHEREAS, Global partnerships and trust are key to ending the spread and impact of COVID-19, where it will take all of us working together to end this pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nan Whaley, Mayor of the City of Dayton, in honor of Dayton's global partnerships and impact, do hereby proclaim March 10, 2021 as

Global Engagement Day

in Dayton



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dayton to be affixed the 10th day of March 2021

Nan Whaley

*Nan Whaley
Mayor*