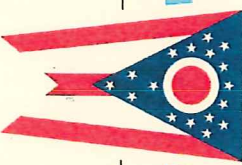


In the Name and by the Authority of
THE STATE OF
OHIO



WHEREAS, the celebration of Father's Day is a time to pay tribute to fathers and to thank them for their unconditional love, for their belief in their children's potential and for their vital parental role; and

WHEREAS, good fathering during infancy, childhood and adolescence contributes to emotional security and has overwhelming positive psychological and economic benefits for children, families, communities, our state and our nation; and

WHEREAS, everyone deserves a chance to succeed, and we all have a moral and economic duty to support our children; and

WHEREAS, fathers, whether biological, foster, or adoptive, deserve our honor and gratitude; and

WHEREAS, all fathers in Ohio and America today must reinvest in providing emotional and financial support for their children, and we must all promote involved, nurturing and responsible fatherhood; and

WHEREAS, strong families are the bedrock of thriving communities, which are essential as we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, and I join the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood in encouraging Ohioans to learn more about fatherhood issues and show support for the many individuals and organizations that help fathers be better parents, partners, and providers.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize June 2021 as

RESPONSIBLE FATHERHOOD MONTH

on this 1st day of June 2021.

Mike DeWine
Governor



Jon Husted
Lieutenant Governor