



In the Name and by the Authority of

# THE STATE OF OHIO



**WHEREAS**, the celebration of Father’s Day is a time to honor 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 reach one’s full potential, and we all have a moral and economic duty to support our children; and

**WHEREAS**, fathers, whether biological, a father-figure, foster or adoptive, deserve our honor, and gratitude; and

**WHEREAS**, fathers in Ohio and America today must invest in providing emotional and financial support for their children, and we encourage involved, nurturing, and responsible fatherhood; and

**WHEREAS**, strong families are the bedrock of thriving communities. , 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.

**WHEREAS**, this year we will celebrate fathers during Father’s Day weekend at the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton for the inaugural Fatherhood Festival;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, **Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio**, do hereby recognize June 2022 as

## RESPONSIBLE FATHERHOOD MONTH

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2022;

Mike DeWine  
Governor



Jon Husted  
Lieutenant Governor