

RESOLUTION 2022-20

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Brenda T. Bodnar and Council as a Whole

**A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO
LILLIAN “PATSY” MILLS**

WHEREAS, Lillian (“Patsy”) Mills has lived and worked in Mayfield Village for over 50 years, raising her three sons Art, Ralph and Jimmy, while working as a real estate agent and owning a flower shop; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Patsy was elected as the Council Representative for Ward 2. For more than 36 years, Patsy has served on Mayfield Village Council and, during her tenure, served as Council President and the Chair of every Council Committee; and

WHEREAS, Patsy has dedicated her life to Village government and leadership, guiding the Councils and Administrations under which she served, sharing her vast knowledge, and encouraging everyone to use their talents in the hopes of preparing the individuals to be the leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, Patsy has gone beyond the call of duty, serving as a Founding Member of the Garden Club, and a long-serving member and officer of the Mayfield Women’s Club and Mayfield Township Historical Society, where she served as a docent giving tours to those who visit the Bennett VanCuren Historical House. Patsy has had great influence on countless Village special events, volunteering to help with planning, setup and always working the event; and

WHEREAS, Mayfield Village has benefitted from Patsy’s many contributions, including her research at Mayfield Union Cemetery using ground-penetrating radar to determine exactly how many graves were there and her service on the Records Commission to preserve records vital to documenting governmental activities. Her belief in the importance of this service was exhibited by her attendance at many seminars to keep up with guidelines, rules and laws of the State of Ohio, and even more volunteering at the Village’s annual Shred Day; and

WHEREAS, Patsy is known as the go-to person for historical information. She speaks with a spark in her eyes and a smile on her face, as she tells her stories of the past. Some refer to Patsy as a true history buff, a walking history book or an encyclopedia; and

WHEREAS, Patsy’s most common question is, “What can I do for you?” Recently, Patsy was presented with a Mayor’s Proclamation in celebration of her 90th birthday. Patsy’s humble response was, “Thank you very much. I didn’t know I did all that. It’s a good way to start the next 90 years.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OHIO, THAT:

Lillian “Patsy” Mills be and is hereby recognized and congratulated for her many years of dedicated and exceptional service to Mayfield Village. On behalf of Mayor Bodnar, her fellow Council members and the residents of Mayfield Village, Ohio, we wish her many years of good health and happiness. Every community should have a Patsy Mills. We are fortunate she is ours.

SECTION 1. The Village of Mayfield, its Mayor, Council, residents, employers, employees and officials wish to thank Lillian “Patsy” Mills for her many years of dedicated and tireless service.

SECTION 2. The Council finds and determines that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution have been taken at open meetings of this Council; and that deliberations of this Council and of its committees, resulting in such formal action, took place in meetings open to the public in compliance with all statutory requirements including the requirements of Section 121.22 of the ORC;

SECTION 3. The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to prepare duplicate original copies of this Resolution. One such original shall be presented to Lillian “Patsy” Mills. The other original shall be placed in the permanent records of the Village as a lasting tribute to Lillian “Patsy” Mills.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall become effective upon its adoption by Council and the signature of the Mayor, or as may otherwise be provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED: **April 4, 2022**

STEPHEN SCHUTT, Council President

BRENDA T. BODNAR, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST: _____

Diane A. Calta, Esq., Director of Law

Mary E. Betsa, MMC Clerk of Council