



## Office of the Mayor

# Proclamation

### Whereas:

Barry Electronics was formed in 1989 by brothers Scott and Brian Barry as a subsidiary of Bluffton Aire, a company founded by their father, Dave Barry, in 1979 in Bluffton, Ohio and relocated to Lima in 1986; and

**WHEREAS:** Barry Electronics has experienced notable success and is now a destination spot for families looking to improve their homes and vehicles with sound systems and electronic home improvements; and

**WHEREAS:** In 2005 Barry Electronics hosted their first Video Game Tournament which was designed to give back to the community through charity fundraising while promoting fun and games; and

**WHEREAS:** Over the past ten years approximately \$20,000 has been raised through the fund raising efforts of Barry Electronics, benefitting numerous charities including the Dayton Veterans Hospital, the West Ohio Food Bank, and Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen; and

**WHEREAS:** Video games tournaments have been played across the United States since the early 1980's in arcades, living rooms and home theaters and are a fun way to bring friends and family together for some friendly competition. Barry Electronics is expecting several hundred visitors to their location for their Annual Charity Tournament which celebrates video games, as a fun and interactive hobby, while raising funds for a worthwhile cause; and

**WHEREAS:** Barry Electronics is hosting its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Video Game Tournament on May 9<sup>th</sup>. This year's tournament will support the Lima Fire Department's Safety City House which when completed will simulate the conditions of a fire, a tornado, and a storm, including lightening, thunder, smoke machines, flickering lights, wind and simulated flames.

**NOW THEREFORE:**


I, David J. Berger, Mayor of the City of Lima, Ohio do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 9, 2015 as

**BARRY ELECTRONICS DAY**

in the City of Lima and ask all citizens to applaud Brian and Scott Barry, along with the staff of Barry Electronics for sponsoring this annual event which provides a fun and exciting activity for all ages, while contributing to the betterment of our community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lima, Ohio, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2015.



  
**DAVID J. BERGER, MAYOR**  
**CITY OF LIMA, OHIO**