



Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

Diversity has been part of the American culture since the very beginning of our nation, with much of America's strength, creativity and energy coming from its cultural mix; and

WHEREAS: An important part of life is being open to new experiences, appreciating others for who they are, and finding commonalities on which to build understanding and respect; and

WHEREAS: Lima-Allen County Neighborhoods in Partnership (LACNIP) has organized the 10th Annual International Expo "We Are All Connected" for the purpose of increasing ethnic awareness and appreciation of diversity through celebrating the various cultures in Lima and Allen County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS: The 2016 International Expo, highlighting over a dozen countries, is being held on April 10th from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Lima Senior High School; and

WHEREAS: The Lima-Allen County Neighborhoods in Partnership Board, along with the individual Neighborhood Associations of Allen County, share a common purpose to foster awareness and understanding of our cultural differences and similarities.

NOW THEREFORE: I, David J. Berger, Mayor of the City of Lima, Ohio do hereby proclaim April 10, 2016 as

INTERNATIONAL EXPO DAY

in Lima, Ohio, to foster mutual respect and understanding, to call upon all members of our community to recognize that we are all connected by common threads, no matter where we are born in the world, and to celebrate the diversity of the Lima, Allen County community by taking advantage of this opportunity to enjoy art, crafts, food and entertainment from around the world, in a fun family-oriented setting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lima, Ohio, this 30th day of March 2016.



Signature of David J. Berger
DAVID J. BERGER, MAYOR
CITY OF LIMA, OHIO