



Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

Mrs. Teresa Ann Monford was born May 1, 1967, in Lima, Ohio to the late Louis Humphries, Sr. and Joann Humphries. She accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at the age of ten at Philipian Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend J.E. Latson. She attended Lima City Schools and graduated from Shawnee High School in 1985. A 1995 graduate of Lima Technical College, Mrs. Monford is a Registered Nurse, a fitness trainer, and a founder at Tootsie's Teas; and

WHEREAS: Mrs. Monford is the proud wife of Dr. B. LaMont Monford, Sr., the Pastor at Philipian Missionary Baptist Church, and they are the parents of four beautiful children, Brian Jr., Brandon, Brianna, and Brandi; and

WHEREAS: Mrs. Monford has pursued her own personal ministry in her role as the Pastor's wife, working to create a solid foundation of caring relationships upon which a thriving church can be built. She is often a cheerleader coordinator and intercessor on behalf of the Philipian church members; and

WHEREAS: Mrs. Monford has had the opportunity to speak to women's groups in churches throughout Lima and the State of Ohio and through her example has inspired others to mature in their faith; and

WHEREAS: The members of the Philipian Missionary Baptist Church wish to pay tribute to Mrs. Monford for her unselfish service to the church and loving mindfulness of its members' needs.

NOW THEREFORE: I, Sharetta Smith, Mayor of the City of Lima, Ohio do hereby proclaim Sunday, October 9th as

Teresa Ann Monford Day

in the City of Lima and ask all citizens to join the members of the Philipian Missionary Baptist Church in recognizing Mrs. Monford for her humble and dedicated service.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lima, Ohio, this 9th day of October 2022.

**SHARETTA SMITH, MAYOR
CITY OF LIMA, OHIO**

