

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 8, 2026, AS
CHILD CARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY IN
THE CITY OF LORAIN, OHIO.**

- WHEREAS,** Child Care Aware® of America, and organizations nationwide are recognizing Child Care Providers on this day; and
- WHEREAS,** the child care system supports children’s growth, development, and educational advancement while creating positive economic impacts for families and communities; and
- WHEREAS,** child care providers are essential to the health of our communities by fostering safe and welcoming spaces, supporting working families, and creating enriching environments where children develop lifelong skills; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Lorain, recognizes that child care has been and continues to be a lifeline for families, communities, and the economy. As such, it has provided much-needed support to providers to help sustain the viability of child care by having partnerships with local early childhood programs, support for workforce development, and collaboration with community organizations to expand access to care; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Lorain recognizes that our community benefits from comprehensive, well-resourced Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) organizations, like Starting Point, which builds the supply and quality of child care and support child care providers through coaching, mentoring, and technical assistance; and
- WHEREAS,** support for affordable, accessible, high-quality child care represents a worthy commitment to help families work, support children’s healthy development and learning, and keep our economy growing.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LORAIN, STATE OF OHIO:

- SECTION I.** That the **Lorain City Council** hereby proclaims May 8, 2026, as **Provider Appreciation Day** in the City of Lorain, Ohio, and encourages all residents to recognize and express gratitude to child care providers for their invaluable service and lasting impact on our community.
- SECTION II.** Councilwoman Pamela Carter, along with all of Lorain City Council, directs a certified copy of this Resolution be presented to serve as a memento of our appreciation.
- SECTION III.** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- SECTION IV.** This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____, 2026

MAYOR

ATTEST: _____, CLERK

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL