



**A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING  
NEW ALBANY THEATRE BOOSTERS  
AS THE NEW ALBANY FOUNDERS DAY  
COMMUNITY CONNECTION AWARD HONOREES**

**WHEREAS**, Founders Day was first organized in 1976 as part of the nation's Bicentennial celebration and in tribute to William Yantis and Noble Landon who founded New Albany in 1837; and

**WHEREAS**, the Founders Day Committee recognizes an Outstanding Community Organization which provides exceptional service to the residents of the New Albany area, by bestowing upon the organization the Community Connections Award; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Albany Theatre Boosters is a non-profit organization that was created in 2010 to support the innovative work of the New Albany High School Theatre Department and continue its tradition of "Staging Excellence"; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Albany High School Theatre Department produces at least two full-length theatrical performances, their *24 Hour Theatre* project, and a Showcase each year, and these productions involve over 100 students in the cast, on crew, and in the pit orchestra for the musical; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Albany Theatre Boosters holds many fundraisers throughout the year to support the work and travel of the New Albany High School Theatre Department, including organizing the October rummage sale, car washes, raffles and silent auctions at the department's productions, working and collecting concession stand sales at McCoy Center events, and selling Spirit wear.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor of the City of New Albany, Counties of Franklin and Licking, State of Ohio, on behalf of the Council and residents of New Albany wish to recognize **New Albany Theater Boosters** as the **2019 Recipient of the New Albany Founders Day Community Connection Award**, and urge all citizens to join me in extending congratulations to them.

**WHEREBY**, I set my hand and seal this 7th day of May, 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sloan T. Spalding", is written over a horizontal line.

Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor