



**A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
DENNIS AND TERESA KEESEE
AS THE 2023 DR. GLYDE A MARSH NEW ALBANY
FOUNDERS DAY PARADE GRAND MARSHALS**

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, each year the Founders Day Committee recognizes an Outstanding Citizen or Citizens of the New Albany area by bestowing upon them the honor of being the Grand Marshals in the Dr. Glyde A. Marsh New Albany Founders Day Parade; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Keesee graduated from New Albany High School in 1977 and started managing his parent's restaurant, Eagles Pizza, that same year; and Teresa Keesee lived in Lost Creek, West Virginia until she graduated, after which she resided in the Columbus area for nearly 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Dennis and Teresa Keesee were married at Gettysburg National Military Park on July 4, 2003, and between them have 3 children - Corey, Rachel, and Megan, plus 2 grandchildren – Mack and Delta; and

WHEREAS, Dennis and Teresa are fans of history; Dennis' family traces back to 1818 in the New Albany-Plain Township area, the family has decorated Eagles Pizza with many historic displays over the years, and Dennis currently serves as the president of the New Albany-Plain Township Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, Dennis and Teresa take great pride in having hired hundreds of area youth to work in their 2 restaurants, Eagles Pizza and Villa Pizza in Johnstown, providing what is often their first job.

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, congratulate Dennis and Teresa Keesee for being named the **2023 Dr. Glyde A. Marsh New Albany Founders Day Parade Grand Marshals**.

WHEREBY, I set my hand and seal this 2nd day of May, 2023.

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

Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor