



**A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING
NEW ALBANY SAFETY TOWN
AS THE NEW ALBANY FOUNDERS DAY
COMMUNITY CONNECTION AWARD HONOREE**

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, Safety Town was launched in 2004 with the support of Key Bank and the New Albany Women's Network through the New Albany Community Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Safety Town is a safety educational camp held each summer for children entering kindergarten or first grade, where lessons are taught by state certified teachers, New Albany Police Officers, and Plain Township Fire Department Firefighters, along with teen volunteers, subject matter experts, and community partners; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, nearly 5,500 children have graduated from New Albany Safety Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor of the City of New Albany, Counties of Franklin and Licking, State of Ohio, on behalf of council and residents of New Albany wish to recognize **New Albany Safety Town** as the **2021 Recipient of the New Albany Founders Day Community Connection Award**.

WHEREBY, I set my hand and seal this 24th day of August, 2021.


Sloan T. Spalding, Mayor