

RESOLUTION 2020-90

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

**A RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES
TO THE FAMILY OF AUGUSTUS HAWKINS SR.**

Introduced by _____
Motioned by _____
Seconded by _____
1st Reading _____
2nd Reading _____
3rd Reading _____
Under suspension _____



WHEREAS; August Hawkins Sr. transitioned from this life into the next October 27, 2020 at the age of 77; and

WHEREAS, he was born November 2, 1942 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama to the late Rosa Lee Hawkins and was affectionately known simply as “Gus”; and

WHEREAS, August lived in Oakwood Village attending Bedford School City School District where he excelled in the band; and

WHEREAS, after joining the United States Army and serving his country with courage and excellence as an Army Medic in Vietnam, he was honorably discharged in 1969; and

WHEREAS, while in Vietnam, he taught himself to play the flute. He went onto play the alto, soprano, tenor and baritone saxophone and the keyboard. Also, a phenomenal artist, he enjoyed drawing sketches of people, nature, and the universe; and

WHEREAS, joining the Dynamic Sounds musical group in the 1960’s catapulted him into the music industry as the band’s manager. In addition, he was their saxophonist and flutist. He was known as “the heart and soul of the group” and played a significant role in facilitating their first record deal as the new S.O.U.L (Sounds of Unity and Love). They played at the Apollo and with such greats as the Persuaders, Cuba Gooding, the Jackson 5 and Kool and the Gang. S.O.U.L. went on to record two additional albums before disbanding in 1978; and

WHEREAS, Gus returned to his medical training as a full-time phlebotomist where he could precisely and painlessly draw blood from any patient. He was well respected in the field and was able to successfully retire while enjoying the fruits of his labor; and

WHEREAS, this honorable man loved deeply and did everything with excellence and determination. He will be known for his intelligence, sense of humor, giving spirit, dedication, and beautiful smile; and

WHEREAS, his brother, David Hawkins, preceded him in death; and

WHEREAS, Augustus “Gus” Hawkins Sr. will be sorely missed by his loving wife, Brenda; his children, Pamela Augustine, Uraina (Hawkins) Scott, Lonnie Hawkins, Alon Hergenhan and Augustus Hawkins, Jr.; his 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren, along with a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, friends, family and associations who loved him dearly; and

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT by the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Village Council and Mayor wish to express their most sincere condolences to the family of Augustus “Gus” Hawkins Sr. and hope the fond memories of such a fine, caring person comforts them in their loss.

SECTION 2. The Clerk is hereby authorized to present a copy of this resolution to the family of Augustus “Gus” Hawkins Sr..

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption by this Council and approved by the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

Johnnie A. Warren, President of Council

Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council

Presented to the
Mayor _____

Approved: _____

Mayor – Gary V Gottschalk

I, Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2020-90 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the ____ day of _____ 2020.

Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Debra L. Hladky, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Resolution 2020-90 was duly posted on the ____ day of _____ 2020 and will remain posted for a period of fifteen (15) days thereafter in the Council Chambers and in not less than (5) of the most public places in the municipality as determined by the Council of the said Village.

DATED: _____

2020-90 Hawkins Sr Condolences

Clerk of Council