#### **RESOLUTION 2022-34**

#### INTRODUCED BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

### A RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO MAYOR GIGI TRAORE

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WHEREAS she has a lifelong history of community service and advocacy in Northeast Ohio where she tackled many important issues, including education reform, environmental protection, and economic development; and

WHEREAS Mayor Traore brings a wealth of knowledge and leadership skills she has gained throughout her years serving as United States Delegate to China as well as Council-at-Large and Council Pro-Tem for the Village of Newburgh Heights; and

**WHEREAS** in 2012, she began an endowment for the Pinkston-Traore Leadership Scholarship at Cleveland State University for veterans that served or who are serving currently in the military to honor her maternal grandparents who were veterans and elected officials.

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

**SECTION 1.** It is with tremendous pleasure that the Village Council and Mayor recognize and congratulate Mayor GiGi Traore on all her accomplishments and wish her continued success in her future endeavors.

**SECTION 2.** The Clerk is hereby authorized to present a copy of this resolution to Mayor Traore.

**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.

Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council

Johnnie A. Warren, Council President

Presented to the

Mayor:

Approved:

Ken Tock

Mayor, Gary V Gottschalk

I, Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2022-34 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the lower day of lower 2022.

Christine Morganic Clerk of Council

## **POSTING CERTIFICATE**

I, Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2021-34 was duly posted on the 15 day of 2022, and will remain posted for a period of fifteen (15) days thereafter as provided in the Village Charter.

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DATED: 5/13/2027

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