

WHEREAS, Ulysses S. Grant is recognized as a military hero, emancipator, civil rights leader, and president; and

WHEREAS, he was born on April 27, 1822, in Point Pleasant in Clermont County, Ohio, to Jesse and Hannah Grant and raised in Georgetown in Brown County, Ohio, with younger siblings Samuel, Orville, Rachel, Virginia, and Mary; and

WHEREAS, Grant attended both private and public schools, worked on the family farm, and developed a lifelong fondness for reading; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1843 and in 1846 was sent to fight in the Mexican-American War, where he distinguished himself in battle; and

WHEREAS, Grant married Julia Dent Grant, and they had four children, Frederick, Ulysses Jr., Jesse, and Nellie; and

WHEREAS, he left the Army, but returned to fight for the Union with the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861 and moved up through the ranks to commanding general with victorious Vicksburg, Chattanooga, Overland, and Petersburg campaigns; and

WHEREAS, Grant received the Confederate surrender from Gen. Robert E. Lee at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, on April 9, 1865; and

WHEREAS, Grant was elected the 18th president of the United States in 1869 and served two terms; and

WHEREAS, he was recognized during his presidency for implementing reconstruction, working to improve the civil rights of freed slaves, signing the 15th Amendment, which sought to protect the voting rights of African American men, and establishing international diplomatic relations; and

WHEREAS, Grant died on July 23, 1885, at age 63 and was laid to rest — and his wife was later interred — at the General Grant National Memorial in New York under an inscription from his presidential nominee acceptance letter: "Let us have peace"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize the

200TH BIRTHDAY OF ULYSSES S. GRANT

the 27th day of April 2022.

Mike DeWine

Jon Husted Lieutenant Governor