## **RESOLUTION NO. 102-22**

## A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE FRIENDS OF THE CEMETERY ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY.

**WHEREAS:** The first Master Plan for Spring Grove Cemetery was created in 1997, and:

WHEREAS: A top priority in the 1997 Master Plan was to form a 501(c)3 group whose mission would be to seek additional funding and advocate for the cemeteries; and

WHEREAS: *Teresa Merkle and Cynthia Szunyog*, both members of the Cemetery Commission at that time, were instrumental in forming the *Friends of the Cemetery* group in 1997, which became a 501(c)3 non-profit in 1999, to begin soliciting funding for the cemeteries from charitable foundations and community groups, and;

WHEREAS: In 2003, the *Friends of the Cemetery* were named beneficiaries of the Estate of Edward C. Mears, and through this gift, were able to implement and complete the 1997 Master Plan, and;

WHEREAS: Over the past 25 years, the *Friends of the Cemetery* have shared a close partnership and working relationship with the City of Medina, collaborating on every project is has undertaken at Spring Grove and Old Town Cemeteries.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, OHIO:

**SEC. 1:** That Medina City Council, the Mayor and Administration hereby sincerely thank, recognize and congratulate *the Friends of the Cemetery* for their service to the community, and dedication for the past 25 years.

PASSED: May 23, 2022 SIGNED: John M. Coyne, III

President of Council

ATTEST: Kathy Patton APPROVED: May 23, 2022

Clerk of Council

SIGNED: Dennis Hanwell
Mayor