## **RESOLUTION NO. 22-2023**

## A RESOLUTION HONORING THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF JAY WILSON POST 112 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

WHEREAS, after World War II a group of war-weary Veterans got together in France to think of a way to keep the comradeship alive with the eventual winding down of all activities in France. Members of the American Expeditionary Force convened in Paris for the first American Legion Caucus in March 1919 to define a purpose and Mission; and

WHEREAS, Congress chartered the American Legion in September 1919 which swiftly grew to over 1 million,

**WHEREAS**, in the spring of 1922, fifteen Veterans; decided that there should be a Post of the American Legion in the locality from Perry, Thompson and Madison Township,

WHEREAS, a petition was signed to charter on June 19, 1922; the charter was approved on December 11, 1923 officially recognizing Jay Wilson Post 112, First Post Commander was Dr. J.V. Winans.

WHEREAS, a name was chosen in honor of Mr. Jay Wilson of Thompson, Ohio. Mr. Wilson was born in Painesville on July 18, 1888, enlisted in Company D, 102<sup>nd</sup> Infantry on September 18, 1917. Jay Wilson went overseas to serve in France on April 23, 1918 and was killed in action on June 17, 1918.

WHEREAS, the Post 112 Auxiliary was organized and chartered on June 10, 1924; first Auxiliary President was Mrs. J. V. Winans.

**WHEREAS**, in August 1985 the Sons of the Legion was chartered allowing qualifying family members to join Post 112,

WHEREAS, in 2009 Post 112 recognized the American Legion Riders group to allow qualified members to join,

WHEREAS, the current location was acquired through the efforts of the World War I and II and Korean Veterans who needed a place of their own, the first land and building was purchased from Milton and Blanche Nichols December 29, 1961, as second parcel was purchased on April 13, 2006 to provide expansion of Post activities and parking,

Introduced by: Mayor Britton

WHEREAS, in 2000 Post 112 filed paperwork through the Department of Defense and acquired a M60A3 Battle tank from Camp Grayling near Travers City, Michigan which proudly set out front of Post 112 to honor all who served in the United States Armed Forces,

**WHEREAS**, Post 112 has grown to over 700 members including Legion Veterans, Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion and Legion Riders working together to provide support for Veterans and Family Members and Community.

**WHEREAS**, on December 9, 2023 Jay Wilson Post 112 of the American Legion celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> Centennial Anniversary

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MADISON, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

<u>SECTION 1:</u> That the Council of Madison Village on its own behalf and on behalf of all residents thereof, hereby recognizes and honor the anniversary of Jay Wilson Post 112 of the American Legion.

<u>SECTION 2:</u> That the Council of Madison Village on its own behalf and on behalf of all residents thereof, hereby commends the Jay Wilson Post 112 of the American Legion on celebration their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Proclaimed: 1-13-1113

Mark W Vest
President of Council

Attested:

Kristie Crockett,

Fiscal Officer / Clerk of Council

Approved:

Sam Britton, Jr.,

Mayor