



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Sydney Swendal is a Junior at Bexley High School and a participant in the Global Scholars Diploma Program; and,

WHEREAS: The Global Scholars Diploma Program, which is a program of the Columbus Council on World Affairs, provides interactive and collaborative activities that aim to grow student awareness of global cultures and worldwide issues; and,

WHEREAS: As a final year student in the program, Sydney was tasked with completing an independent project that takes local action on an important global issue. Sydney's passion for addressing food insecurity led her to a project to create and install a *Little Free Pantry* in Schneider Park; and,

WHEREAS: We are grateful and proud to recognize and honor Sydney's passion and persistence in this project, which culminated with a donation drive to fill the new pantry, providing a valuable resource for individuals in our community with food insecurity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ben Kessler, Mayor of the City of Bexley, Ohio, do hereby proclaim, March 12, 2024 as:

"Sydney Swendal Day"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Mayor of the City of Bexley, Ohio, to be hereto affixed on this 12th day of March, 2024.

Benjamin J. Kessler, Mayor