



## PROCLAMATION OF CELEBRATION

### *"Reveling in Welcoming the World Week"*

**Whereas**, the community at-large celebrates "Welcoming the World Week," from September 11 through September 19, 2021, and

**Whereas**, Welcoming the World Week will be a special week, with a series of events, hosted by Global Cleveland, a non-profit organization focused on regional economic development through actively attracting newcomers to Greater Cleveland; and

**Whereas**, Woodmere residents and nearly 300 businesses, are pleased to participate in this occasion by showcasing cultural diversity that is part of the rich history of the Village; and

**Whereas**, it is imperative to distinguish the efforts of immigrants and newcomers to Ohio because of their relocation to the United States and is an important part of who we are as Americans, who inhabit this land; and

**Whereas**, the United States Census Bureau reports Immigrants are responsible for increasing Ohio's population by more than 150,000 people since 2019; and

**Whereas**, immigrants have been resolute in securing personal rights, and access to equal opportunity, and fought to create a fairer and more equitable society for all Americans; and

**Whereas**, the Village of Woodmere is enjoying 77 years of existence in 2021 and is pleased to record a diverse population of residents and merchants; and

**Whereas**, immigrants continue to grow businesses, innovate, strengthen our economy, and create jobs in the Village of Woodmere; and;

**Whereas**, immigrants have provided the United States with unique social and cultural influence, fundamentally enriching the extraordinary character of our nation.

**Therefore, be it Resolved** that the Mayor of the Village of Woodmere designates September 11 through September 19, 2021 as "Welcoming the World Week"; and

**Be it Further Resolved** that Woodmere Village wishes to encourage and promote diversity so all can live with dignity, fairness, and justice. Therefore, I affix my signature on this document on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021.

Benjamin I. Holbert, III  
Mayor