

Proclamation

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

CHILDREN'S OUTDOOR BILL OF RIGHTS

Whereas, today's children are losing their connection with our natural world while spending an average of seven hours a day using a computer, watching television, or playing video games; and

WHEREAS, the effects can be seen nationwide as childhood obesity rates increase and children suffer from long-term developmental and social impacts; and

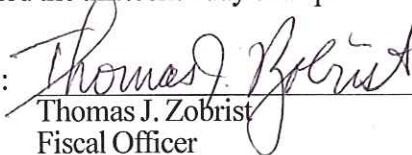
WHEREAS, children who are in touch with their natural environment are healthier, do better in school, have increased creativity, and possess improved concentration; and

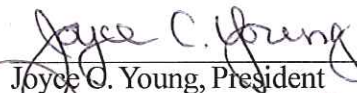
WHEREAS, realizing these benefits, Washington Township, in partnership with Ohio Leave No Child Inside Collaborative, is committed to helping children reunite with nature, live more active and healthy lives, enjoy the natural treasures of our parks, and discover the rewards of becoming environmental stewards.

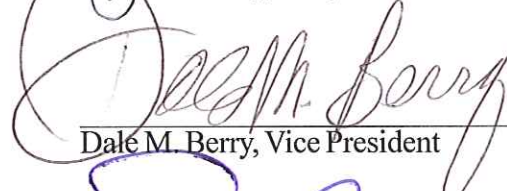
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Washington Township Board of Trustees, Montgomery County, Ohio, that we fully support the Ohio Leave No Child Inside Collaborative and its Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights, and furthermore, that we encourage parents, educators and youth leaders to join in this effort to ensure that Ohio's children have the opportunity to reconnect with nature – making them happier, healthier and smarter.

Proclaimed the thirteenth day of September two thousand and ten.

Attest to:


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