

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO
RESOLUTION NO. 26-129**

THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES AUTHORIZES A \$1,000 SPONSORSHIP FOR THE 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF THE HONORABLE JESSIE O. GOODING, FORMER JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE, AND RECOGNIZES HIS LIFETIME OF PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Board of Trustees of Jefferson Township, Montgomery County, Ohio, met in a regular meeting on September 1, 2026, at 6:00 pm at the Township Offices located at 1 Business Park Dr., Dayton, Ohio, with the following members present:

Oscar Young (X) Sheila Back (X) Vera Powell (X)

Moved by: Young (X) Back () Powell ()
Second by: Young () Back () Powell (X)

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Honorable Jessie O. Gooding will celebrate his 100th birthday on November 28, 2026, representing an extraordinary milestone and a century of life, leadership, and service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gooding holds a special place in the history of Jefferson Township, having previously served the residents of the Township as a member of the Jefferson Township Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, through his service as a Township Trustee, Mr. Gooding contributed his leadership, judgment, and commitment to the governance and advancement of Jefferson Township and the residents it serves; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gooding's record of public service extends well beyond Jefferson Township, including service as a World War II veteran, retired educator and inductee into the Ohio Civil Rights Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gooding also served with distinction for eighteen years as President of the Dayton Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, where his leadership contributed to the advancement of civil rights, educational opportunity, justice, and stronger communities throughout the Miami Valley; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gooding's century of life represents a remarkable legacy of military service, public service, education, civil rights leadership, and commitment to the people and institutions of this community; and

WHEREAS, the Jessie O. Gooding 100th Birthday Committee will host a celebration in his honor on Saturday, November 28, 2026, at the University of Dayton Marriott, bringing together family, friends, public officials, community organizations, and community partners to recognize his 100th birthday and lifetime of service; and

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WHEREAS, the Jefferson Township Board of Trustees finds it particularly appropriate that Jefferson Township participate in this historic celebration because Mr. Gooding is not only a distinguished regional leader, but also a former Jefferson Township Trustee whose public service forms part of the history and legacy of Jefferson Township government; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to recognize one of its former members and to honor Mr. Gooding's extraordinary lifetime of service by supporting the official celebration of his 100th birthday;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Jefferson Township, Montgomery County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. Recognition

The Jefferson Township Board of Trustees hereby recognizes and honors the Honorable Jessie O. Gooding, former Jefferson Township Trustee, upon the occasion of his 100th birthday and expresses its profound appreciation for his lifetime of public service, civic leadership, educational service, advocacy, and contributions to Jefferson Township and the greater Dayton community.

SECTION 2. Sponsorship Authorized

The Board hereby authorizes a sponsorship contribution in the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to the Jessie O. Gooding 100th Birthday Committee in support of the November 28, 2026 celebration honoring Mr. Gooding.

SECTION 3. Public Purpose

The Board determines that Jefferson Township's participation serves a public purpose by recognizing the historic public service of a former Jefferson Township elected official and preserving and promoting awareness of the individuals whose leadership and service have contributed to the Township and its community.

SECTION 4. Payment

The Township Fiscal Officer is authorized to issue payment in the amount of \$1,000.00 from an appropriate and lawfully available Township fund and account, subject to certification and availability of funds.

SECTION 5. Township Participation

The Township Administrator is authorized to coordinate the Township's participation in the celebration and to provide the Committee with information reasonably necessary to recognize Jefferson Township as a sponsoring organization.

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SECTION 6. Effective Date

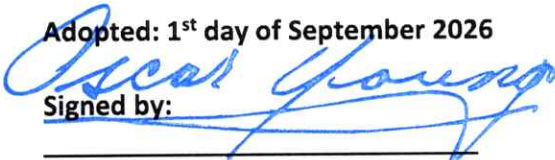
This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The vote was as follows:

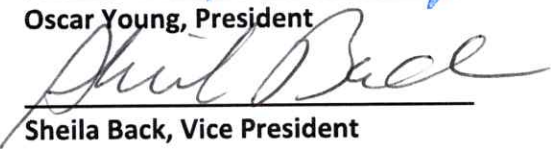
Oscar Young	Sheila Back	Vera Powell
☒ Yes No Abstain	☒ Yes No Abstain	☒ Yes No Abstain

Adopted: 1st day of September 2026

Signed by:



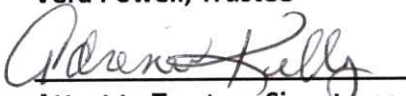
Oscar Young, President



Sheila Back, Vice President



Vera Powell, Trustee



Attest to Trustees Signatures:
Adrennia Kelly, Fiscal Officer