

RESOLUTION NO. 2009- 139

A RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION AND APPRECIATION TO THE HONORABLE JOHN H. FENDER FOR THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION OF HIS TIME AND TALENT AS MAYOR & PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL TO THE CITY OF KENT, OHIO, FOR THE PAST TWELVE YEARS; APPOINTING JOHN H. FENDER "MAYOR EMERITUS", AND RENAMING COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN HIS HONOR.

WHEREAS, the Honorable John H. Fender was first elected Mayor of the City of Kent in 1997, and has served in that capacity through this present time, for a total of twelve years, the longest in the history of Kent; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John H. Fender served tirelessly while performing his duties as Mayor of the City of Kent with grace and dignity; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable John H. Fender, by and through his dedicated public service, has contributed greatly to making the City of Kent, Ohio a finer and better place to live.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio, all of the members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Kent, personally and collectively, on behalf of the City Administration, all employees of the City and residents of the City, does hereby express deep appreciation to the Honorable John H. Fender for the many contributions made by him resulting in benefits to the City of Kent, during his tenure as Mayor of this City.

SECTION 2. That the Council, as a result of the unusual duration of the public service rendered to the City of Kent by the Honorable John H. Fender, does hereby bestow upon him the honorary title of "Mayor Emeritus".

SECTION 3. That the Kent City Council Chambers shall now be known as the "**John H. Fender Council Chambers**".

SECTION 4. That the Clerk of this Council is hereby directed to forward a duly attested copy of this resolution to the Honorable John H. Fender.

SECTION 5. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED: 12/16/2009
DATE

PRESIDENT PRO TEM

ATTEST: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL