

RESOLUTION NO. 1127

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FORMAL PROCLAMATION
AFFIRMING THE VILLAGE OF BELLAIRE'S COMMITMENT TO THE
PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND TO STRENGTHENING
COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY**

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Bellaire, Ohio, recognizes that the safety, dignity, and well being of children are fundamental to a strong and thriving community; and

WHEREAS, the protection of children from abuse, exploitation, neglect, and harm must remain a clear and unwavering priority shared by families, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, and local government; and

WHEREAS, recent events have prompted reflection within our community and underscore the importance of reaffirming our collective commitment to safeguarding children while respecting the integrity of the judicial process; and

WHEREAS, The Village Council supports the fair and impartial administration of justice and acknowledges that all legal matters must proceed through the appropriate courts without interference or prejudgment; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Bellaire stands in solidarity with victims and survivors of all forms of abuse and affirms that their safety, healing, and support are matters of community concern; and

WHEREAS, The Village encourages residents to remain vigilant, to promptly report suspected abuse or exploitation to appropriate law enforcement or child protection authorities, and to utilize available local, state, and national resources dedicated to child safety and victim assistance; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Bellaire is committed to fostering a culture defined by unity, accountability, compassion, and mutual respect, and seeks to strengthen trust and cooperation throughout the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Bellaire, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Village Council hereby adopts and issues this formal Proclamation reaffirming its unwavering commitment to the protection of children and to promoting safe environments throughout the community.

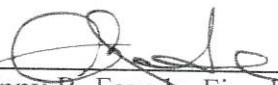
SECTION 2. That the Village Council calls upon families, educators, coaches, faith leaders, organizations, and all residents to work together in safeguarding children, encouraging open communication, and reinforcing community standards that reject abuse in any form.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution and Proclamation are intended to express the values and commitment of the Village of Bellaire and shall not interfere with or influence any ongoing investigation or judicial proceeding.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Bellaire held this 5th day of March, 2026 by the 4 yea votes of its eligible members.

ATTESTED:

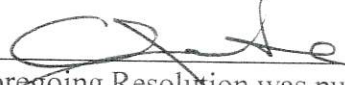

Ginny R. Favede, Fiscal Officer


Robert P. Dodrill, Sr. Mayor

Date: 3-5-2026

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

I,  _____, Clerk of Council, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was published by posting the same in five (5) public places within the Village of Bellaire, Ohio as provided by Ordinance No 1229, for a period of not less than fifteen (15) days, said Ordinance having been first posted on _____

