

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas: *it is the privilege of the Mayor to recognize important occasions in our community; and*

WHEREAS: many misperceptions surround the use of e-cigarettes and other vaping devices, including the fact that they contain nicotine, a highly addictive chemical that can harm adolescent brain development; and

WHEREAS: despite laws prohibiting the sale, distribution and giving of vaping devices to persons under 21 years old, 29.8% of Ohio high school students reported using e-cigarettes frequently per the Ohio Youth Risk Behavior Survey; and

WHEREAS: the City of Grove City supports Franklin County Public Health's Community Health Improvement Plan, addressing the need to increase education on the dangers of youth vaping and other tobacco product use; and

WHEREAS: numerous studies have validated that the use of vaping devices has increased the use of marijuana among high school students; and

WHEREAS: the City of Grove City urges the community to remain vigilant in helping to further decrease the number of high school students initiating e-cigarette use and the overall accessibility and availability of e-cigarettes and other tobacco products in youth.

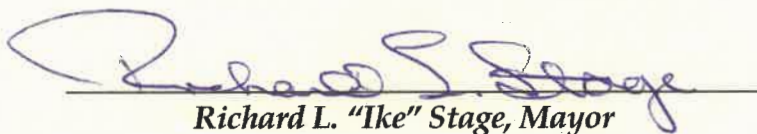
Now, therefore, I, Richard L. "Ike" Stage, Mayor of the City of Grove City, do hereby proclaim May 19, 2021 as:

"Youth Vaping Awareness Day"

in Grove City to increase understanding and support of curbing youth vaping.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of Grove City, Ohio be affixed this 13th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.


Richard L. "Ike" Stage, Mayor