COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH **PROCLAMATION** WHEREAS, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, boroughs, townships, rural areas, and other places; and WHEREAS, community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people work and live; and WHEREAS, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their community; and WHEREAS, the full benefits of planning requires public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and WHEREAS, the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories; and WHEREAS, the American Planning Association endorses National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight how planning is essential to every community, and how planners are uniquely positioned to identify solutions to communities' most difficult housing, transportation, and land use questions; and WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of appointed Planning Commission and Development Review Board members and other resident planners who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the City of Wilsonville; and WHEREAS, we recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional community and regional planners of the City of Wilsonville and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the month of October 2024 is hereby designated as Community Planning Month in the City of Wilsonville in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month. Dated the 7th day of October 2024. Julie Fitzgerald, Mayor