

**Resolution in support of an orderly and peaceful elections process.  
(Board of Commissioners)**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Senate, by unanimous consent on September 24, 2020, approved Senate Resolution 718, reaffirming the Senate's commitment to the orderly and peaceful transfer of power called for in the Constitution of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, our domestic tranquility, security, general welfare, and civil liberties depend on respect for the rule of law and respect for the orderly processing of ballots on election night and on the days following an election; and

**WHEREAS**, any disruptions of or undue interference in the casting of ballots and the lawful and proper administration of ballot counting on or after November 3, 2020, could be detrimental to community safety and well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, for many decades Ohio's secretaries of state and the 88 county boards of elections have distinguished themselves in trustworthy elections administration, and in conducting honest and true counts of Ohioans' ballots cast by each method and manner allowed and protected under Ohio law, and have earned the trust of Ohioans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Secretary of State has affirmed the state's November 3, 2020, election results will be honest and legitimate, and should be accepted by all candidates and their voters; and

**WHEREAS**, every Ohioan has a major stake in ensuring and supporting elections integrity, orderly elections administration, and peace and tranquility surrounding free and fair elections; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That this Board of Commissioners does hereby commit to support order, peace, and respect for the rule of law in all aspects surrounding the election of November 3, 2020 and calls on all candidates and residents of Franklin County and the State of Ohio to respect the voting decisions of the Ohio electorate.