



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Dolly Parton rose from humble beginnings in East Tennessee to become one of the most beloved and influential entertainers in the world;

WHEREAS: Through her music and philanthropy, Dolly Parton spread values including kindness, generosity, and community around the globe,

WHEREAS: Dolly Parton established the Imagination Library in 1995 in her home county in East Tennessee to honor her father who could not read by fostering a love of reading among her county's preschool children and their families;

WHEREAS: Dolly Parton's Imagination Library mails more than 3,000,000 books every month to children aged 0-5 around the world, including more than 432,000 books to children in Ohio;

WHEREAS: Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio was established in 2019 so that every child in Ohio from birth to five years old is eligible to receive one free, high-quality, age-appropriate book in the mail each month, and more than one million Ohio children have participated in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio;

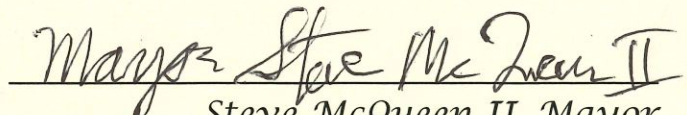
WHEREAS: Today, more than 65% of Ohio children aged 0-5 receive a free book in the mail each month through Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio,

WHEREAS: The Village of Yellow Springs is honored to celebrate the life, legacy and generosity of Dolly Parton and her unparalleled, philanthropic work for literacy and children;

NOW THEREFORE: I, Steve McQueen, Mayor of Yellow Springs, Ohio, do hereby proclaim Friday, September 25, 2026, in The Village of Yellow Springs, as

DOLLY PARTON DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Office of Mayor of the Village of Yellow Springs to be affixed on this 25th day of September, 2026.


Steve McQueen II, Mayor
Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio

