

## RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF COMMISSIONER DANIEL R. PARKER

**WHEREAS**, throughout his life, Daniel Parker was a steady, reliable force for good who shined the light of Christ and inspired us to lift our eyes to better things; and,

**WHEREAS**, in the 1980s, Daniel's leadership on the Middleville Housing Commission led to a construction boom within Middleville, offering countless families the opportunity to pursue their American Dream in an affordable home; and,

**WHEREAS**, in the 1990s and early 2000s, Daniel's leadership on the Thornapple Kellogg Board of Education gave rise to higher enrollment, lofty student achievement, new facilities, and the Trojan Pride which defines the district; and

**WHEREAS**, Daniel's leadership on the Middleville Village Council in the 2000s is seen and felt everywhere, rising above the village with the water tower he helped build, crossing the Thornapple on bridges he helped forge, fostering smiles at the parks and trails he championed, and warming the hearts of the constituents he served and cared for; and,

**WHEREAS**, in his three terms, Daniel's leadership on the Board of Commissioners can be seen through more and better parks, a celebrated animal shelter, a fiscally sound county government, and of course, felt in the hearts of volunteers, staff, commissioners and constituents inspired by his steady encouragement and loving friendship; and,

**WHEREAS,** though Daniel passed from this earth on December 11, 2020, the Board of Commissioners recognizes his legacy will never fade,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Barry County Board of Commissioners offer its deepest sympathies to Daniel's beloved wife Linda, his adored children and grandchildren, and all who mourn his death.

Heather L. Wing, Chairperson Barry County Board of Commissioners Pamela A. Palmer Barry County Clerk