

**PRESENTED BY: MAURER, SOYARS, DEBEVEC,
ENDRES, LYSENKO, WAGNER, MEGYES, AVANT, FREY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 117-2013
SPONSORED BY: MRS. DEBEVEC**

TITLE: SUMMIT KIDS MONTH IN THE CITY OF BARBERTON

**A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BARBERTON
RECOGNIZING AUGUST 2013 AS SUMMIT KIDS MONTH IN THE CITY OF
BARBERTON, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, we recognize the importance of early childhood care, education, health, behavioral health, family support, special needs and early intervention; and

WHEREAS, by ensuring kindergarten readiness, we are investing in the future prosperity of our community, because high quality, early childhood education is a critical component of K-12 success and is instrumental in cultivating a skilled workforce; and

WHEREAS, health and wellness programs strive to ensure that children are protected from diseases which can cause serious illness, permanent damage or death; and

WHEREAS, the Summit For Kids Expo connects families with businesses, organizations and agencies that focus on children's programming, health, education, activities, and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, we are committed to reducing infant mortality in Summit County because Ohio has the 11th worst infant mortality rate in the nation and infant deaths in the African American Community in Summit County are nearly double the rate of other populations; and

WHEREAS, through the leadership of the first things First Initiative, we can make a difference in the quality of life, health, well-being and education of children in Summit County; and

WHEREAS, This Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City of Barberton to declare August 2013 as Summit Kids Month in the City of Barberton and to encourage the citizens of Barberton to join in this acknowledgement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Barberton, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Barberton hereby recognizes August 2013 as Summit Kids Month in the City of Barberton and urges all residents to join in this acknowledgement.

SECTION 2. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure in order to be passed before the month of August.

Passed _____ 2013

Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved _____ 2013

Mayor