

**PRESENTED BY: MEGYES, DEBEVEC, HEITIC  
GREER, ANGELOFF, GRIFFIN, JABER, COBURN, FREY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 56-2020  
SPONSORED BY: MRS. DEBEVEC**

**TITLE: COMMENDATION – CHIEF KIM BALDWIN**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BARBERTON TO  
HONOR AND GIVE PUBLIC RECOGNITION TO CHIEF KIM BALDWIN FOR HIS 31  
YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE BARBERTON FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, Chief Kim Baldwin retired from the Barberton Fire Department on March 17, 2020 with 31 years of service to the City of Barberton. Kim was born and raised in Warrensville Heights. He lives in Norton with his wife Patti who he has been married to for 34 years. They have 4 children and 6 grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Baldwin was hired as a Firefighter/Paramedic on March 17, 1989. He worked his way through the ranks as he was promoted to Lieutenant on March 24, 1997, Deputy Fire Chief on October 11, 1999 and Acting Fire Chief on March 25, 2002. He became Fire Chief on August 23, 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Baldwin was a Fire Chief 24/7. He worked tirelessly to serve the citizens of Barberton and the members of the Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Baldwin accomplished more for the Barberton Fire Department than any other Fire Chief. He passed a Capital Improvement Levy which enabled the city to replace ambulances on a regular basis, renovate to modernize Station 1 and the construction of the new Station 2; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Baldwin expanded the department's EMS and enhanced emergency services with the building of the new Station 2; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Baldwin was instrumental in helping to create SWSCOM and enhancing the City of Barberton's communications which coordinated the radio replacement of several communities with the City of Barberton; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Baldwin assisted in writing several grants that provided essential equipment to the department and enhanced the services provided to the citizens. He was instrumental with the tornado siren replacement project; and

**WHEREAS**, everyone fortunate enough to know Chief Baldwin would describe him as a tall, quiet, kind, gentle and patient man who is very conscientious. Kim is wished much happiness with the hope that he and Patti will be sharing many adventures together throughout his retirement. We thank Chief Baldwin for his 31 years of dedicated, professional service to the City as a member of the Barberton Fire Department, congratulate him on his distinguished career and wish him well in the next phase of his life.

**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 honors and gives public recognition to Chief Kim Baldwin for his 31 years of dedicated service to the Barberton Fire Department.

**SECTION 2.** That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed \_\_\_\_\_ 2020

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ 2020

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Mayor