

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-03

**A RESOLUTION
HONORING MAYOR JOHN "JACK" TURBEN ON THE
OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AS MAYOR OF THE
VILLAGE OF KIRTLAND HILLS, OHIO.**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Kirtland Hills wishes to recognize and honor Mayor John "Jack" Turben for his decades of devoted public service, exemplary leadership, and extraordinary contributions to the Village; and

WHEREAS, John "Jack" Turben was born in Cleveland, Ohio on July 12, 1935, graduated from University School in 1953, and went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale University in 1957; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Turben served honorably in the United States Army, reflecting a lifelong commitment to duty and service; and

WHEREAS, in 1977 he founded the Chagrin Valley Company, which later evolved into Kirtland Capital Partners, a nationally respected private investment firm; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Turben's professional achievements have been widely recognized, including the awarding of an Honorary Juris Doctor degree from Lake Erie College in 1996, and his 2025 induction into the Greater Cleveland Sports Hall of Fame for his excellence in racquet sports; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Turben shared a devoted marriage with the late Dr. Susan Turben until her passing in 2023, and together they built a loving family, including their children: David C. Turben, Nicholas A. Turben, Newton S. Kimberly, Jr., James H. Kimberly, and Mary S. Kimberly; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Jack Turben was nominated to fill an unexpired at-large term on the Kirtland Hills Village Council, beginning what would become nearly four decades of public service; and

WHEREAS, he became Council President in 1989, and in 1994 succeeded Mayor John Fadel as Mayor of the Village of Kirtland Hills, a role in which he has served with vision, dignity, wisdom, and unwavering dedication; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Turben has been a champion of conservation and responsible stewardship of Village lands, including his granting of a conservation easement known as *The Field* to preserve open space for future generations, and his 2023 partnership with the Western Land Conservancy to protect 65 acres of wooded Village property; and

WHEREAS, Jack Turben's leadership, generosity, integrity, and steadfast commitment to preserving the unique character of the Village of Kirtland Hills have left an indelible and lasting impact on the community he has faithfully served.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF KIRTLAND HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the Village of Kirtland Hills, Ohio, on behalf of the entire staff of the Kirtland Hills Village government and all of the citizens of the Village of Kirtland Hills, convey their deep gratitude to Mayor John "Jack" Turben for his extraordinary dedication and unparalleled service to our community as the leader of the Village of Kirtland Hills, Ohio for over a quarter of a century, and extend their heartfelt best wishes to Mayor John "Jack" Turben for a wonderful retirement, full of happiness, time with family and friends, good health and successful endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of Council shall forthwith certify a copy of this Resolution and deliver it to Mayor John "Jack" Turben.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

ADOPTED January 5 2026



MAYOR

ATTEST: V Z
CLERK/TREASURER