

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** The City of Stow is proud to honor Stow resident Daneè Pinckney as an outstanding English teacher at Twinsburg High School; and,
- WHEREAS,** Daneè earned her Bachelor of Arts and Sciences in Middle Childhood Education from the Ohio State University. Realizing her passion was more suited to high school, she received her Ohio English K-12 Certification before earning a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction: Educational Technology from Ashland University; and,
- WHEREAS,** Daneè constantly searching for new opportunities to challenge herself professionally and personally, she created a senior-level course on African American Literature. The course addressed a need for representation sought by both students and community members. Daneè obtained grant funding to support it implementation enriching educational experiences for all; and,
- WHEREAS,** Daneè uses literature as the anchor, she works to encourage students' engagement in community service and activism projects instilling in them a sense of social responsibility and civic engagement. She believes students can change the world "right here and right now." Believing this to be true, her students most recently collaborated with students in Ghana and led a community fundraiser building global community and empathy; and,
- WHEREAS,** Daneè's dedication as an educator has earned her recognition as the 2025 Ohio Teacher of the Year, a Marth Holden Jennings Foundation Master Teacher Finalist, and accolades such as the 2023 Twinsburg City Schools Teacher of the Year, and a 2023 Fund for Teachers Fellow.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Pribonic, Mayor of the City of Stow, hereby extend my gratitude to Daneè Pinckney for being an outstanding educator. You have gone above and beyond in and out of the classroom and you have made a difference! We are proud to have you in our community. On behalf of the City of Stow and all the students you inspire every day, we thank you.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Stow, Ohio to be affixed this 10th day of April, 2025.

A blue ink signature of John Pribonic, Mayor of the City of Stow, Ohio.

John Pribonic, Mayor