

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** The City of Stow is honored to recognize and acknowledge the Ohio Department of Transportation, District 4, for completing the SUM-8-7.81 Reconstruction Project on time and on budget with minimal disruption to the traveling public and the citizens of Stow; and
- WHEREAS,** O.D.O.T. District 4 started working on the design of the S.R. 8 Reconstruction Project in 2004 to replace uneven deteriorated concrete pavement, median barriers, berms, lighting, signage, and bridge decks to improve rideability and upgrade the roadway for traffic safety; and
- WHEREAS,** O.D.O.T. District 4, S.R. 8 improvements also included installing a noise wall, replacing exit and entrance ramps, road improvements to Graham Road, Hampshire Road, Steels Corners Road, and signal improvements to Seasons Road within the limited access; and
- WHEREAS,** O.D.O.T. District 4 held monthly LPA meetings, communicated with the Engineering Department and safety forces weekly or more often as needed to keep the City of Stow updated and informed; and
- WHEREAS,** O.D.O.T. District 4 coordinated with all safety forces training on how to enter the gaps in the median and open the gates in the temporary wall to better access emergencies within the contra-flow lanes. This method was so successful that the State of Ohio has developed it into a new program that is being used Statewide; and
- WHEREAS,** O.D.O.T. District 4 was instrumental in securing a Highway Safety Grant for the City of Stow Police Department to run radar making the construction zone safe for workers and vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Pribonic, Mayor of the City of Stow, hereby extend our sincere gratitude to O.D.O.T. District 4; especially Gery Noirot, District Deputy Director, Chad Root, Mike Simpkins, Tony Pamer, Morgan Hornyak, Sava Gmitric, and Tyler Sovizral, on completing the SUM-8-7.81 Project on time, with minimal disruption to the residents of the City of Stow, and for making the S.R. 8 Freeway one of the smoothest riding roads in the State of Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Stow, Ohio to be affixed this 7th day of February, 2023.


John Pribonic, Mayor

