



## PROCLAMATION OF RECOGNITION Memorial Day 2023

**WHEREAS**, On Memorial Day, we honor and reflect upon the courage, integrity, and selfless dedication of the members of our United States of America Armed Forces who have made the greatest sacrifice in service to our Nation; and,

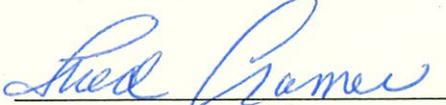
**WHEREAS**, In honor and recognition of all of our fallen service members, on May 11, 1950, by a joint resolution Congress approved the amended U.S. Code, Title 36, Section 116, requesting that the President issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe each Memorial Day, the last Monday in May, as a day of prayer for permanent peace and remembrance.

**WHEREAS**, The Legacy of Memorial Day was first established in 1868 and we have a sacred obligation as a Nation to support our Service Member Families and to always honor the memories of their loved ones; and,

**WHEREAS**, Our Nation will never forget the courage and patriotism demonstrated by the countless men and women who laid down their lives so that we may continue to pursue a more perfect Union and protect the unalienable rights Americans hold dear. They came from every part of the country, of every background and belief, united by a shared belief in our uniquely American creed — that all people are created equal. We will honor their legacy by continuing our work to live up to that commitment and to advance the values they lived and died to defend; and,

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees hereby recognizes the American service members that have given their lives to uphold our Constitution and to defend the safety and freedoms of our citizens. These patriots embody the best of the American spirit. They put themselves on the line for our shared values — for duty, honor, and country — and they paid the ultimate price. Our Nation can never fully repay the debt we owe to our fallen heroes and their families.

  
Carolyn L. Destefani, Chairperson

  
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