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TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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A Resolution Honoring the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office Mounted Division

WHEREAS, in August 1963, under Sheriff Hugh Marr, 19 citizens were sworn in as volunteer deputies in the department's newly established Sheriff's Posse, that in 1980 became known as the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office Mounted Division; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, there have been 124 Mounted Division members, having one individual who has been a member since its origin over 55 years ago; and

WHEREAS, in 1969 the Unit became a member of the Michigan Sheriff's Mounted Association (MSMA). As a member of the MSMA, Tuscola County hosted the Pony Express in 1989 and 1994, raising over \$13,000 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Tuscola County Sheriff's Mounted Division has also been involved in providing security for numerous events including both the KKK Rally in Caro in 1997 and a train crash near Silverwood in 1980; and

WHEREAS, the Tuscola County Sheriff's Mounted Division was selected as 1 of 2 units in the State to ride with the Michigan Multi-Jurisdictional Mounted Police Drill Team and Color Guard in the inauguration of President Barack Obama in 2013 in Washington D.C.; and

WHEREAS, numerous fundraising events have been hosted by the Tuscola County Sheriff's Mounted Division including 4-H, Senior Christmas Dinner, Toys for Tots and Shop-With-A-Cop. To date, the Unit has also awarded 43 scholarships totaling \$23,250.00; and

WHEREAS, there are currently five members that remain active in the reorganized unit which is now known as the Tuscola County Mounted Division and Security. These members are: Robert Ward, Charlie Curell, Ray Rendon, Barbara Thayer and Kary Engelmann.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this day of December 27, 2018 the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes the Tuscola County Sheriff's Mounted Division for all of their dedication and contributions to numerous entities in Tuscola County. We sincerely thank them for their outstanding service and for making this a better community.

Date 12-27-18

Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

I, Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on December 27, 2018.

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