

The County of Centre

PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 12 OF 2022

WHEREAS, Strawberry Fields, Inc. was founded by a group of family members out of love for their children with intellectual disabilities on a farm in Yarnell, PA in 1972; and

WHEREAS, the mission is to provide high quality services to the individuals we serve and to empower them to live their lives as independently as they are able; and

WHEREAS, Strawberry Fields, Inc. provides an array of mental health support services to help individuals reach their goals for recovery in a way that promotes wellness and takes advantage of their strengths and dreams for the future; and

WHEREAS, Strawberry Fields, Inc. specializes in residential programs to meet the needs of individuals with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Strawberry Fields, Inc. was nominated and selected as one of Pennsylvania Business Central's Top 100 Organizations two years in a row (2021 & 2022); and

WHEREAS, Good Day Café was developed by Strawberry Fields, Inc., in response to the upwards of 80% unemployment rate for people with Autism, intellectual disabilities and mental health diagnoses; and

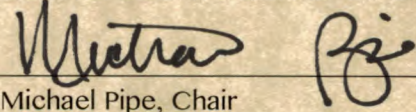
WHEREAS, Good Day Café is a place where people of all abilities can contribute and belong to our community and where diversity is celebrated, they won best coffee shop in State College Magazine in 2021; and

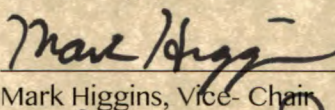
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby recognize the **50th Anniversary of Strawberry Fields, Inc.** and encourages all citizens to become familiar with their mission and support services offered.

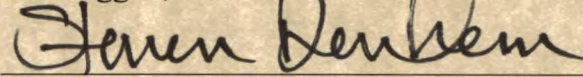
ADOPTED this 19th day of April 2022.



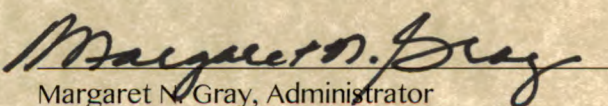
CENTRE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Michael Pipe, Chair


Mark Higgins, Vice-Chair


Steven G. Dershem

ATTEST:


Margaret N. Gray, Administrator