



In the Name and by the Authority of

# THE STATE OF OHIO



**WHEREAS,** Ohio's child support program serves nearly 675,000 children statewide; and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio supports the well-being of citizens by strengthening families and promoting economic stability; and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio promotes child support awareness month to educate the public about the child support program and the importance of both parents being in a child's life to secure success in their future; and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio recognizes the benefits of establishing legal paternity for children and established paternity for nearly 49,000 children in 2022; and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio recognizes that children still need the love and support from both parents to strengthen family bonds, even though they may live apart; and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio is dedicated to serving Ohio families by providing child support programming that is innovative and family-centered to help parents meet their responsibilities, promote family self-sufficiency, and create a positive environment for their children; and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio recognizes the critical efforts made by parents, families, child support professionals, and partners to build a community that supports Ohio's children and invests in their well-being for the future of Ohio's communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** we, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize August 2023 as

## CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August 2023.

Mike DeWine  
Governor



Jon Husted  
Lieutenant Governor