

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, originally known as the Grand Rapids Rustlers, the Cleveland Lake Shores moved to Cleveland at the beginning of the 20th century. After five name changes, the team became known as the Cleveland Indians in 1915, affectionately called The Tribe by fans throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, throughout the past twelve decades, players came and went, team names were changed, and new venues were built, but one thing remained the same – Cleveland’s undeniable affection for the Indians. Between June 12, 1995 and April 4, 2001, the Cleveland Indians sold out a record-breaking 455 home games in a row, leading to the retirement of the number 455; and

WHEREAS, along with two World Series championships, the Cleveland Indians have won seven American League Central titles - the most of any team in the division; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland Indians have helped produce some of the most notable baseball players in the game, including Larry Doby, Bob Feller, Kenny Lofton, Lou Boudreau and Earl Averill; and

WHEREAS, Opening Day has become a family tradition for many Clevelanders, bringing together Cleveland Indian fans of all ages and from different generations who share a love for America’s favorite pastime.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, John R. Kasich and Mary Taylor, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize April 4, 2016 as

CLEVELAND INDIANS OPENING DAY

and we extend our best wishes to the players, coaches and fans from around the world for a successful season.

On this 1st day of April 2016;



John R. Kasich
Governor



Mary Taylor
Lieutenant Governor

