

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, October 2011 marks the 22nd annual celebration of German-American Heritage Month in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, German-American Heritage Month takes place in October because the 6th of October is the day on which the first permanent German settlement in America was established at Germantown, Pennsylvania in 1683; and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio is proud to be called home by approximately 4 million people of German ancestry; and

WHEREAS, from the early days of Ohio's history, the Germans who settled Ohio and their descendants have contributed greatly to the diversity and quality of life throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the state of Ohio recognizes the rich cultural heritage and family values that are passed along to future generations through the many German-American societies and organizations; and

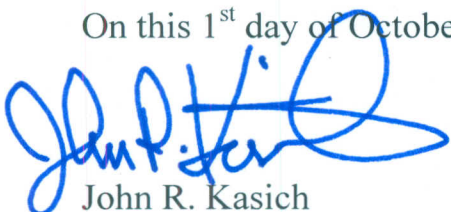
WHEREAS, such contributions are recognized by the state of Ohio during the month of October when German-American Heritage Month is designated throughout the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby designate October 2011 as

**GERMAN-AMERICAN
HERITAGE MONTH**

throughout Ohio and invite all multicultural communities, especially our German-American community, to join in this celebration with appropriate observances and activities in the greatest traditions of the German-American family and community.

On this 1st day of October, 2011;



John R. Kasich
Governor

