



RESOLUTION #26-07-072

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RETIREMENT OF ROBERT YOCUM

The Bethel Township Board of Trustees, Bethel Township, Miami County, Ohio met in special session on the 14th day of July, 2026 with the following Trustees being present: Kama Dick, Julie Reese, and Josh Wilkerson.

Trustee Wilkerson moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Robert Yocum retired effective June 30, 2026 and the Bethel Township Trustees are very appreciative that Mr. Yocum has dedicated nearly 50 years to the Township; **AND**

WHEREAS, Mr. Yocum started as a volunteer firefighter in 1976 and moved to the Road Department in 1986, continuing as a volunteer firefighter for another 10 years; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Road Department was self-sufficient with Robert at the helm, keeping the park and cemeteries mowed, the roadside limbs trimmed, and the roads free of fallen branches, animals, snow, and ice – there are no words to describe the gratitude the Township has for Robert's commitment to the Township. **THEREFORE**

BE IT RESOLVED, by Bethel Township Board of Trustees, Bethel Township, Miami County, Ohio that it hereby reluctantly accepts the retirement of Mr. Robert Yocum and the Township thanks him for his lifetime of service.

Trustee Reese seconded the motion and the Board voted as follows upon roll call:

Vote:	Trustee Kama Dick	<u>YES</u>	<u>Kama Dick</u>
	Trustee Julie Reese	<u>YES</u>	<u>Julie Reese</u>
	Trustee Josh Wilkerson	<u>YES</u>	<u>Josh Wilkerson</u>

Attest: Rhonda Ross

Rhonda Ross, Fiscal Officer
Bethel Township, Miami County, Ohio



Proclamation of Outstanding Service for Robert Yocum

WHEREAS, Robert Yocum, a lifetime resident of Bethel Township, began his dedicated service to the Township in 1976 as a volunteer firefighter with the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Robert Yocum moved to the Road Department in 1986 and served there for the next forty years, ultimately serving as Road Superintendent until his retirement on June 30, 2026, completing forty-nine and one-half years of service to Bethel Township; and

WHEREAS, Robert Yocum has devoted his career to the care of the Township's roads, rights-of-way, and cemeteries, maintaining them with skill, diligence, and quiet professionalism through every season; and

WHEREAS, through countless early mornings, late nights, holidays, and winter storms, Robert Yocum kept the roads of Bethel Township safe and passable for its residents, answering the call whenever it came; and

WHEREAS, Robert Yocum has served generations of residents with patience and helpfulness, sharing his unmatched knowledge of the Township's roads and always taking the time to answer a resident's question or concern; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, work ethic, and institutional knowledge of Robert Yocum spanning nearly five decades have left a lasting legacy of service to Bethel Township that few will ever equal;

THEREFORE, The Bethel Township Trustees, with deep gratitude and profound admiration, do hereby deem it an honor and a pleasure to extend this Proclamation of Outstanding Service to Robert Yocum, with sincere congratulations and best wishes for a long, happy, and well-earned retirement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned Bethel Township Trustees, affix our names and the official seal on this 14th day of July, 2026.

Trustee Kama Dick

Kama Dick

Trustee Julie Reese

Julie Reese

Trustee Josh Wilkerson

Josh Wilkerson

