

# The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 29 OF 2021

**WE, the Centre County Board of Commissioners**, takes pride and pleasure in joining our community in congratulating Vern Squier upon his richly deserved retirement after 10 years of service to the Chamber of Business & Industry of Centre County (CBICC);

**WHEREAS**, the CBICC focuses on promoting Centre County's well-being and growth of commerce, business and industry, and strives to uphold Centre County's reputation as a great place to live, work, and conduct business; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2011, Vern joined the CBICC as President and CEO, where he has distinguished himself as an exceptional leader and committed public servant; and

**WHEREAS**, Vern has worked to increase the CBICC's ability to serve its members by building cooperative relationships with businesses, government organizations, civic groups, and local non-profits; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure with the CBICC, Vern has led and organized a variety of initiatives, including signing a historic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Penn State University, DriveForward, CentreREADY, Centre County Economic Development Partnership, Centre Strong, Happy Valley Ag Ventures, and Happy Valley Talent; and

**WHEREAS**, Vern exemplifies the best of Centre County and is a shining example of excellence, passion, and perseverance;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby express their sincere appreciation and gratitude for Vern Squier's dedication and commitment to the Chamber of Business and Industry. We wish him continued health, happiness and success in the years to come; and gratefully recognize his decade of service to residents of Centre County.

**ADOPTED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2021.



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