

## UNIVERSITY OF AKRON MEN'S SOCCER TEAM 2010 National Champions

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 University of Akron Men's Soccer Team led by Coach Caleb Porter closed out a historic season in which the Zips (22-1-2) advanced to the NCAA College Cup for the second consecutive year and defeated top-ranked and undefeated University of Louisville 1-0 to win the school's first National Championship, the first national team title in any sport and only the third by a Mid-American Conference School; and

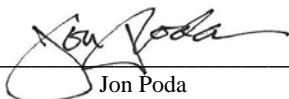
**WHEREAS**, Akron held its opponents to one or fewer goals in all but four games in 2010, tying an NCAA record with 11 consecutive shutouts, blanking opponents 14 times on the season, spent several weeks as the top-ranked team in the nation, and defeated West Virginia, #14 seed Indiana, #6 seed California, and #10 seed Michigan on their march to the NCAA Championship; and

**WHEREAS**, the Zips brought home their fourth consecutive Mid American Conference tournament crown, have the longest current active home unbeaten streak in the nation (39 games), have participated in 25 NCAA tournaments, six "sweet sixteen" rounds, four quarterfinals and three College Cups. The Zips have had 44 players named All-American, had the 2009 Hermann Trophy winner and a 2010 Hermann Trophy Finalist and the 2009 NSCAA Coach of the Year. Five Akron players were named to the All-College Cup team in 2010 including the Most Outstanding Offensive and Defensive Player Awards; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 season marked the third straight year the Zips landed at least two players on the All-America team (Darlington Nagbe and Kofi Sarkodie), and the team was outstanding in the classroom, with four players named to the ESPN Academic All-American team (Anthony Ampaipitakwong, Chad Barson, David Meves and Kofi Sarkodie, the All-Academic Player of the Year).

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it known by all and declared by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio that Council commends Coach Caleb Porter and the 2010 University of Akron Men's Soccer Team of Anthony Ampaipitakwong, Michael Balogun, Chad Barson, Reinaldo Brenes, Scott Caldwell, Matt Dagilis, Richard Diaz, Jr., Gabriel Genovesi, Perry Kitchen, Chris Korb, Darren Mattocks, Andrian McAdams, David Meves, Darlington Nagbe, Michael Nanchoff, Martin Ontiveros, Enrique Paez, Anthony Ponikvar, Kofi Sarkodie, Thomas Schmitt, Ben Speas, Eric Stevenson, McKauly Tulloch and Zarek Valentin on their National Championship season and with great pleasure we wish them the best with their future endeavors.

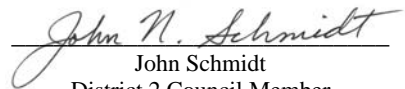
We urge all citizens to join in celebrating this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year 2010.



Jon Poda  
Council President



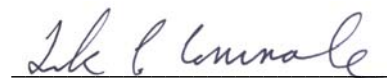
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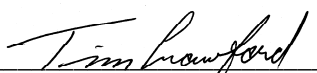
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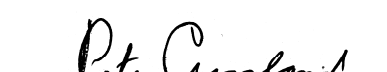
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