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STATE OF OHIO

Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Jerry N. Hruby, Republican, from Brecksville, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission for a new term beginning August 27, 2021 and ending at the close of business June 30, 2026, replacing Jerry N. Hruby, whose term expired.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 27th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty One.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mike DeWine". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Mike DeWine
Governor

About Mayor Jerry N. Hruby

Jerry N. Hruby began serving his ninth, four-year term as Mayor of the City of Brecksville on January 2, 2020, and will be serving through January 1, 2024. He is also the City's Safety Director and Acting Economic Development Director. Mayor Hruby began his career with the City of Brecksville in 1968 as a member of the Brecksville Police Department. He is a lifelong, 73 year Brecksville resident and has been married to his wife Patricia for 50 years. Their adult daughter, Anna, also resides in Brecksville. Mayor Hruby's slogan in his first mayoral campaign exemplifies the government of Brecksville and has been adopted as the City's slogan, "Building Our Future with Respect for Our Past." Brecksville, a historic Western Reserve community founded in 1811, has received many statewide and local awards. We have been honored as one of the safest cities and one of the best cities for families in the nation. The Mayor is a strong supporter of the community's local historical association and has taken on the role of historian for the City government. He has worked toward the preservation of artifacts, photographs and documents that tell the history of our community and its governance. During Mayor Hruby's tenure in office, he has provided the vision and oversight for many important projects. These include a new County Library branch, a new 48,000 sq. ft. Community Center which houses the Recreation Department and its programs and activities, and an expansion to the Community Center making it 98,000 sq. ft. with a Human Services wing, expanded fitness center and warm water therapy pool. In 2020, there was an expansion of the Jack A. Hruby Natatorium with an activity pool and a new outdoor aquatics center. The City also boasts Kids Quarters children's playground, Municipal Lake, a City-owned satellite postal unit, the RTA Park n Ride/City Parking Lot, downtown renovation programs and parking, the acquisition of the 83-acre Blossom Hill property and 102-acre Cleveland Tree Farm, the addition of many playing fields at the Blossom facility including a lighted, full size, fenced artificial surface facility for soccer and lacrosse, upgraded renovation of the City Hall playing fields, renovation of the historic Old Town Hall, expansion of the Service Department and Fire Station, and the purchase and redevelopment of the former Brecksville-Broadview Heights City School District bus garage compound on Stadium Drive. Currently, there is a partnership with the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Schools in the construction of a new elementary school and field house at Blossom Hill. The district will construct the school and the City the field house which will be shared by both the City and the school. The facilities are planned to open in 2022. The construction of a new service facility at Blossom Hill was completed in 2014 and the Stadium Drive material storage facility was constructed in the fall of 2012. In 2014-2015 the new Service Vehicle Storage and Horticulture facility was constructed as phase II of the Stadium Drive plan. Also in 2014 we began the design phase for a new police station that was constructed in 2018-2019. This new state of the art, 27,000 sq. ft. facility is also home to the Chagrin Valley Dispatch Center that is shared with the City of Independence, Broadview Heights, Seven Hills, Cuyahoga Heights, Valley View, Brooklyn Heights, Newburgh Heights and Brecksville. In 2020 the dispatch center grew to ten agencies with the addition of the MetroParks police department and the City of Brooklyn. Our new station has a 6 hour holding jail facility. Prisoners are then transferred to other full service jails in the region. The station also houses a 70 foot pistol/rifle firing range, "Safe Rooms" off the main lobby, evidence center and many other components for our staff and canine unit.

The Bicentennial Obelisk Garden began in 2011 as part of the celebration and was completed in 2012, a lasting tribute to Brecksville's first 200 years. Two, fifty-year time capsules were buried at this site and are to be opened in 2061. The Obelisk was dedicated and the time capsules buried on July 1, 2012. Plans are under way for a historic walk from City Hall to the Obelisk displaying historic facts along the walkway as a manner in which to tell, in part, the story of significant events during the first 200 years. Construction of the walkway will be in 2021. In the fall of 2013, a cooperative agreement between the school district and the City resulted in the restoration of the Highland Drive School baseball field. The area was regraded, new grass planted, new playing surface installed, fence replaced, dugouts and backstop all upgraded. The field was ready for play in the spring of 2014. We appreciate the cooperation of the school district which will share in its use with the City. Under the Mayor's guidance, Brecksville won the 2003 "America in Bloom" award and was the 2003 national winner of the "Proven Winners Landscaped Areas Award." The City's Beautification Committee was created under the direction of Mayor Hruby and is an integral part of volunteerism that oversees the design of city plantings and beautification and decorations throughout the community. This is our 21st Tree City Year Award. In 2016 a Community Garden was constructed on Stadium Drive across from the Horticulture Building. The City's Beautification Committee oversees this project. This garden has been a tremendous success and the gardeners in one of our 77 plots won First Place at the 2016 Cuyahoga County Fair for "Cucumbers." Plots are again sold out with a waiting list for 2021. The Mayor established an award winning City-wide recycling program in 1988 through the fine work and dedication of our residents and Service Department staff. It has expanded and added programs for older residents and those with special needs, and has enacted many other City improvements and additional City services such as leaf pick up, appliance pickup and receiving discarded electronics equipment.

The Mayor also serves on the City Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Records Commission, and Investment Board, oversees Economic Development and the collection of income taxes and presides over the City's Mayor's Court which has two magistrates who hear all cases. In 2009, Mayor Hruby was honored by the Northeast Ohio Area Wide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) with the Walter F. Ehrnfelt, Jr. Award for outstanding regional contribution. The Mayor was highly honored to receive this award for many reasons. First, because it is named after former Strongsville Mayor Walter Ehrnfelt. Mayor Hruby and Mayor Ehrnfelt were very good friends and worked on many civic and political projects together. Mayor Hruby delivered the eulogy at Mayor Ehrnfelt's funeral. Second, the award was presented to him by the late U.S. Senator George Voinovich, with whom Mayor Hruby had been a close associate for well over 30 years. Third, Mayor Hruby served for 10 years on the NOACA Board and was President of the Board as well as Chairman of the Transportation Improvement Plan and Chairman of the Environmental Committee. And last, it was an honor for the Mayor to receive this award in the presence of Anne Ehrnfelt, Mayor Ehrnfelt's wife and a close friend of the Mayor. For these reasons, Mayor Hruby stated, "Of the many awards I have received throughout my career, this one is uniquely significant due to my relationship with Mayor Ehrnfelt, first and foremost, and secondly because of my close relationship with Senator Voinovich and my friends at NOACA."

In his spare time, Mayor Hruby enjoys acting. He is a member of the Brecksville Theatre and winner of the Outstanding Actor Award for his portrayal of Miles Gloriosus in the play, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." He also portrayed the Governor of Texas in the popular musical "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," Daddy in "Daddy's Dyin', Who's Got the Will?" a somewhat challenged monk in the dark farce "Incorruptible," the Attorney in "Good Bye Charlie," God, in "Early One Evening at the Rainbow Bar and Grill," the Mayor in "Inherit the Wind," and was cast singing a variety of songs and participating in a variety of segments of former Brecksville Little Theater productions as they celebrated the Bicentennial and their 70th Anniversary with an original play written by the late Ruth Wheaton to celebrate their 70th anniversary. He played the Captain in "Mr. Roberts" and was a cast member of "It's a Wonderful Life," the radio stage version in which he read the voices of seven characters, including the infamous Mr. Potter. In 2014 he appeared in BLT's production of "Forbidden Broadway" where he sang and danced to a variety of songs that made up the Broadway spoof on its self. He also produced "Piece of my Heart." When BLT kicked off its 75th Season, the Mayor was part of the ensemble performing in the production "Salute to 75, Words and Song." In 2016 he co-produced "Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Coat." He was also a member of BLT's Board of Trustees and was recently named to the board of the Brecksville Theater, the new organization composed of the former Brecksville Little Theater and Theater on the Square.

The Mayor has written and directed the City's Annual Children's Christmas Play since 1986. He has been part of these programs in other ways since 1971, the year that his brother, former Mayor Jack A. Hruby, and Jack's friend Larry Dailey began the annual Christmas play tradition. Mayor Jerry Hruby served along with former City Council President Larry Potla as advisors to the Brecksville 1811-2011 Bicentennial Committee. Mayor Hruby is an avid collector of Disney, sports memorabilia, political memorabilia and local historical artifacts.

Mayor Jerry N. Hruby - Other Affiliations Past and Present

County and State Service

Mayor Hruby is a past president of the Cuyahoga County Mayors and Managers Association, and chaired that group's Legislative Committee from 2000 through 2007 and again in 2010 and 2011. The Mayor was Treasurer of the Mayor's and Manager's in 2016-2017, Secretary 2018-2019, and will be Vice President in 2021. He has also served as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Northeast Ohio Mayor's and Managers Association. Mayor Hruby has also served the region as a board member of the Northeast Ohio Area wide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) for ten years and was board president in 1999. In addition, the Mayor held the prestigious position of Vice-Chairman of the Ohio Department of Transportation's Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC), the TRAC's Urban Paving and Bridge Policy Committee and the Railroad Grade Separation Subcommittee. The Mayor concluded his service on the TRAC Board in 2007.

The Mayor was Foreman of the Cuyahoga County Grand Jury from January to April of 1994, he was a graduate of the Leadership Cleveland Class of 1995 and a member of the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission until 2005. Then State of Ohio Auditor Mary Taylor appointed Mayor Hruby to the State Auditor's Advisory Board in 2007 where he served through 2012.

National Parks Service Advisory Board

In 2002 Mayor Hruby was appointed through the White House by the Secretary of the Interior to the National Parks Service Advisory Board. In 2004 and again in 2008 the Mayor was re-appointed to this prestigious federal board. He was Chairman of the Heritage Areas Study Committee and the Partnership Committee of the Board. The Heritage Areas Study Committee published a booklet reporting their work and findings that was presented to the Director of the Park Service, Secretary of the Interior, and Congress. Mayor Hruby's term with the NPSAB expired at the end of 2009.

Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission

Mayor Hruby was appointed by Governor John Kasich to The Ohio Turnpike Commission on June 30th, 2011 and was elected Chairman of the Commission on July 1, 2011. On June 30, 2013, the Mayor was reappointed to the commission now known as the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission for an 8 year term. He remains its chairman. He oversaw the transition of the Commission from the Ohio Turnpike Commission to the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission working with the Governor, State Legislature and the Ohio Department of Transportation. The Commission has overseen many innovations and improvements to the system as well as the 60th and current 65th Anniversary of the Ohio Turnpike.

Republican National Conventions

Although Brecksville holds non-partisan elections Mayor Hruby, a Republican, is active in state and national politics. Along with serving on Cuyahoga County Republican Committees, he was a delegate for President George H.W. Bush in 1992 and assisted at the Republican National Conventions in 1988 and 2000. Mayor Hruby was active in the George W. Bush for President campaigns in 2000 and 2004 serving as Regional Chairman. He served as a surrogate speaker for Governor Mitt Romney and Representative Paul Ryan in the 2012 election and acted as an advisor to the regional chair of the campaign. At the 2016 Republican National Convention in Cleveland, the Mayor was a delegate for Governor John Kasich. This was the sixth RNC he has attended and

participated in a variety of roles. Upon the nomination of Donald Trump, the Mayor accepted a leadership position in that campaign with our county and region. President Trump recognized the Mayor's efforts during the Trump post-convention campaign and as President acknowledged the Mayor's efforts in Ohio. The Mayor was chosen again as a delegate (Delegate at Large) to the Republican National Convention held in Charlotte North Carolina in August, 2020.

In closing, Mayor Hruby said of his role as Mayor, "Each City Council I have had the distinct privilege to work with has partnered with our Administration and the community to see that together, we would accomplish the many goals we have set to improve our City facilities and services. The Administration's staff also plays a major role in each and every project. It has been our ability to work together, respect each other's positions, and to engage in dialogue that has made our goals reality. We must now be the stewards of what we have created and continue to serve our citizens by providing for their current needs, and planning and projecting their needs for the future."

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Appointment Date: 8/27/2021

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Term Begins: 7/1/2021
Term Ends: 6/30/2026
Party Affiliation: Republican
Senate Confirmation: Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate
Financial Disclosure: Public disclosure required
Vice: Jerry N. Hruby

MEMO TO: Senator Kunze, Chairwoman
Transportation

FROM: Senate Rules and Reference Committee

DATE: February 16, 2022

The Senate Committee on Rules and Reference has assigned the following appointment by the Governor to your Committee for review:

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Matt Huffman, Chairman



Kenny Yuko



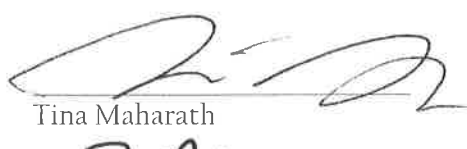
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