Resolution Number 2025-009

## A PROCLAMATION HONORING DR. DONNA WILKINS AND DECLARING JUNE 27, 2025, AS "DONNA WILKINS DAY" IN DELAWARE COUNTY, INDIANA

WHEREAS Dr. Donna Wilkins faithfully served the people of Delaware County as Chief Health Officer since 1988, providing more than three decades of exceptional leadership in public health; and

WHEREAS Dr. Wilkins began her distinguished medical career at Ball Memorial Hospital—now Indiana University Health Ball Memorial Hospital—where she worked in the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) and other critical care units, offering life-saving care and comfort to our most vulnerable patients; and

WHEREAS, through her work in both clinical medicine and public health, Dr. Wilkins has been a tireless advocate for the health, safety, and well-being of all Delaware County residents, especially during times of crisis and public health challenges; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wilkins has earned the admiration and respect of her colleagues, community leaders, and residents through her unwavering commitment, professional excellence, and compassionate care; and

WHEREAS, after decades of dedicated service, Dr. Wilkins will retire on June 27, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of integrity, resilience, and public service that will continue to benefit our community for generations to come.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DELAWARE COUNTY, INDIANS that:

- 1. That the Delaware County Board of Commissioners do hereby recognize and expresses deep appreciation to **Dr. Donna Wilkins** for her extraordinary service and contributions to the health and well-being of Delaware County.
- 2. That the citizens of Delaware County, Indiana have been faithfully and honorably served by the professional competence and judicious use of communication, knowledge, technical skills, clinical reasoning, emotions, values, and reflection in daily practice for the benefit of the entire community being served from Dr. Donna Wilkins
- 3. .BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that June 27, 2025, shall be known as "Donna Wilkins Day" in Delaware County, Indiana, in honor of her lasting legacy and profound impact on our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the County to be affixed this  $5^{\text{th}}$  day of  $10^{\text{th}}$ , 2025.

**Delaware County Board of Commissioners** 

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