



PROCLAMATION

COUNTY OF KENTON
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS: Donna Salyers began working in Kenton County at the age of 13 with her first job at Goldsmith's, a store that stood where Coppin's now resides, marking the beginning of her long-standing connection to that corner of Covington. She has since established multiple businesses and contributed extensively to the community through her various endeavors. Born and raised in Northern Kentucky, her journey began with humble beginnings, as she learned the art of sewing from her grandmother—a skill that would shape her future endeavors. Over the span of 17 years, she penned a syndicated newspaper column, igniting a spark that would lead to a cascade of achievements—a video series, a national cable TV show, and the publication of eight books. In 1989, Donna's entrepreneurial spirit soared as she officially established Fabulous-Furs—a venture that would redefine faux fur fashion and establish her as a trailblazer in the industry; and

WHEREAS: Donna Salyers has been actively involved in various board memberships and volunteer activities within Kenton County. She has served on the board of the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, a key organization dedicated to promoting economic development and business growth in the region. Additionally, she is a member of the Council of Trustees for Horizon Community Funds of Northern Kentucky. Ms. Salyers is also just one of two Northern Kentuckians inducted into the Kentucky Entrepreneur Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS: Donna Salyers has been actively involved in several projects that demonstrate her commitment to enhancing the community. One significant project is her role in the revitalization of downtown Covington, particularly through her ownership of Hotel Covington and the Madison Event Center. These properties have not only provided top-tier accommodations and event spaces but have also played a vital role in preserving and repurposing historic buildings in the area. By investing in these projects, Salyers has contributed to the economic development and cultural revitalization of downtown Covington, transforming it into a vibrant destination for residents and visitors alike. Through her leadership, entrepreneurship, and philanthropy, she has left a lasting impact on Kenton County and continues to be a driving force for positive change in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Kenton County Fiscal Court, do hereby proclaim Donna Salyers as a:

“2024 KENTON COUNTY PIONEER AWARD HONOREE”

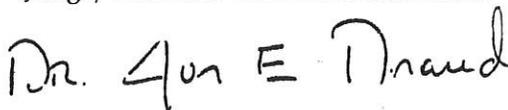
In witness thereof, we have hereunto set our hand,
and caused to be affixed the Seal of the
County of Kenton, Kentucky.


Kris A. Knochelmann

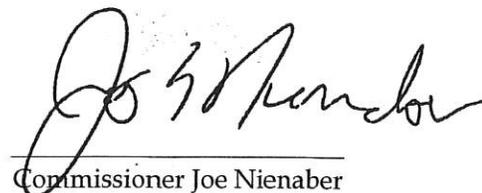
Judge/Executive Kris A. Knochelmann


Beth A. Sewell

Commissioner Beth Sewell


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