

WHEREAS: Kim Kitchen resides in Independence with her husband, Steve. Together, they have four children. Ms. Kitchen is a graduate of Northern Kentucky University, with an Associate Degree in nursing and a Bachelor of Science in nursing from Mount St. Joseph University; and

WHEREAS: Professionally, Ms. Kitchen is a Registered Nurse at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Edgewood, Kentucky. When St. Elizabeth created the Thoracic Care Unit, a state-of-the art expert care unit that diagnoses and surgically treats cancers of the lung, esophagus, and chest wall, Ms. Kitchen stepped up and convinced the architects to redraw the original plans because they would not be best for patients and doctors; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Kitchen's public service exemplifies a true pioneer. Her creative organization, Scrapping with a Mission, taps into women's passion for capturing their family memories. The program is designed to empower high school children and help them see problems in other countries. Over the years, this annual event has raised thousands of dollars to send students and community members to other countries to assist people with their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual needs. She also helped her local school increase their test scores by sitting on the School-Based Decision Making council and has volunteered thousands of hours supporting local elementary schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Kenton County Fiscal Court, do hereby proclaim Kim Kitchen as a:

2018 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, this 21st day of August, 2018.

Judge/Executive Kris A. Knochelmann

Commissioner Beth Sewell Commissioner Dr. Jon Draud Commissioner Joe Nienaber