

**Resolution**  
of  
**Toledo City Council**  
Toledo, Ohio

**Recognizing and Honoring**  
**Kevin Saunders**  
**On His 50-state Health and Fitness Tour of America**  
June 17, 2004

*WHEREAS, Kevin Saunders turned a tragedy into triumph by becoming a Gold Medal Paralympic Athlete and competing in the games of Seoul, South Korea, and Barcelona, Spain; and*

*WHEREAS, Kevin has been named "The Greatest Wheelchair Athlete in the World"; and*

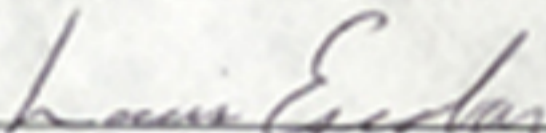
*WHEREAS, Kevin was the first person with a disability to be appointed to the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports by President George H. Bush and was the only council member re-appointed by President William J. Clinton; and*

*WHEREAS, on June 14, 2004 Kevin began pushing his wheelchair for 2,000 miles from Canada to Mexico as a part of a 50-state Health and Fitness Tour of America; and*

*WHEREAS, Kevin is using this tour to help facilitate discussions designed to launch a community-based grass-roots approach to achieving a healthier Nation-one community at a time.*

*NOW, THEREFORE; Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Toledo that Kevin Saunders is hereby recognized for his hard work and dedication to bringing out the champion that lies within everyone and wish him the best of luck in his quest to draw attention to the need for communities throughout the country to focus on lifelong health and fitness.*

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