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From the Mayor's Desk

By Maple Heights Mayor Annette M. Blackwell

Maple Hts. sets sights on winning!

As I reflect on my first six months as mayor of Maple Heights, Northeast Ohio is reveling in our 2016 World Champion Cleveland Cavaliers, the Cleveland Indians are solidly in first place and the City of Maple Heights is WINNING! Winning over pessimism. Winning over stagnation. Winning over despair and hopelessness. They said it could not be done. But we are on our way.

New businesses such as Forman Mills, Boggs Equipment, Lina Wines and several businesses in Southgate have made Maple Heights their home. The reopening of Fannie Mae and expansions and renovations of existing businesses are moving us toward a sound and sustainable tax base and out of fiscal emergency.

We have forged lasting partnerships with our local faith-based communities to provide services and programs to our residents. Stafford Park is thriving with the assistance of Hope Alliance Bible Church. Our basketball courts are opened along with Safety Town, a Community Boot Camp and Literacy in the Park to name just a few.

Along with Hope Alliance, Warrensville Road Community Baptist Church, Faith Community and the Lutheran Church of the Covenant in cooperation with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank and Southgate USA, we have established a Mobile Farmers Market to serve our residents' nutritional needs.

We have put in service four new police vehicles, a rescue squad and fire pumper truck, and street sweeper to serve our community in a more efficient and effective manner. All this while remaining responsible stewards of your tax dollars.

Maple Heights IS winning. We are winning because our businesses, our faith communities, our organizations, our employees, and most of all, our residents are standing and working together to make it happen.