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# National Weights and Measures week will begin with event in Dublin

*Kick-off at Giant Eagle Market District aimed toward educating consumers*

COLUMBUS, Ohio (February 28, 2018) – Franklin County Auditor Clarence Mingo today announced the kick-off event of National Weights and Measures Week will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Friday, March 2 in the Giant Eagle Market District at 6700 Perimeter Loop Rd. in Dublin.

The Franklin County Auditor's Office Weights and Measures Department teams up with local schools and businesses to host "Weights and Measures Awareness Days" throughout the week.

These events highlight how government and consumers work together to maintain fairness and keep the marketplace in balance. Staff will discuss the importance of weights and measures to both residents and students throughout the county.

"Our weights and measures inspectors work to protect Franklin County's economy and system of commerce for both consumers and merchants," Mingo said. "Everyone has a direct financial stake in knowing all transactions are fair."

The goal of Weights and Measures Week is to build awareness among consumers and businesses of their role in commerce and to recognize the important community service performed by the Franklin County Auditor's Office.

The date of National Weights and Measures Week is significant. President John Adams signed the first weights and measure law into effect on March 2, 1799.

National Weights and Measures Week also is an opportunity to educate consumers, businesses and lawmakers about the quiet but systematic effort of the weights and measures officials who have instilled trust in our marketplace. Americans seldom question the quantity statement on a package, the scale at a check stand, or the gallons they put into their cars and even fewer would know who is responsible for instilling that confidence.

Every year, officials from the Franklin County Auditor's Office make around 11,500 inspections throughout the county.

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