

PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, on June 14, 1777, during our struggle to free ourselves from the colonial rule of Great Britain, the Second Continental Congress adopted the “Stars and Stripes” as the Flag of the nascent of the United States of America; and,

WHEREAS, on June 14, 1885, Bernard J. Cigrand, a Wisconsin school teacher, led his students to pay honor to the flag; and,

WHEREAS, the American Flag symbolizes the strength, honor, ideals and national purpose of our Nation; and,

WHEREAS, flying the Flag can be an expression of thanks for the men and women who have served in defense of our freedoms, especially during this year, the centennial of World War One; and,

WHEREAS, in the dawn’s early light the flag inspired Francis Scott Key to pen the words that became our National Anthem; and,

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump, President of the United States of America, proclaims June 14, 2017, as Flag Day and the week beginning June 12, 2017, as National Flag Week and urges all Americans to observe Flag Day and National Flag week by displaying a flag as a time to honor America.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Lee’s Summit, Missouri, I hereby proclaim June 14, 2017, and the week of June 12, 2017, as

FLAG DAY AND NATIONAL FLAG WEEK

and encourage the citizens of Lee’s Summit to join with the Prairie Chapter, Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution in recognizing the significance of these historic dates and honoring our nation’s flag.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Lee’s Summit, Missouri, this day of June, 2017.

MAYOR RANDALL L. RHOADS