

PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, today's world is becoming busier than ever with advanced technology, requiring multi-tasking, distractions from social media and diversion from being present-minded; and,

WHEREAS, social norms and common courtesies are overlooked when people are stressed, preoccupied or rushed and maintaining face to face interactions are becoming more scarce in our faster paced and inattentive society; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the City of Lee's Summit is "to enrich lives in our community through collaboration, creativity and commitment"; and,

WHEREAS, in that spirit, the City's Human Relations Commission is encouraging the Lee's Summit community to "Take Time To Be Kind" the week of February 10 - 16, 2020 by demonstrating random acts of kindness with others in which they interact; and,

WHEREAS, kindness is a simple, selfless act requiring minimal effort and yet can have a phenomenal impact on an individual whether they are family, friends, co-workers or strangers; and,

WHEREAS, being kind could be a smile, holding a door open, telling someone they are appreciated, writing a note of encouragement or volunteering to help; and,

WHEREAS, kindness is free and does not require a monetary value to give to another person and only takes a moment to be more aware and compassionate towards others.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William A. Baird, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, do hereby proclaim February 10 – 16, 2020 as

TAKE TIME TO BE KIND WEEK

and encourage everyone in our community to be mindful of the kindness they give and the kindness they receive through thoughtful words and actions.

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 February 2020.

MAYOR WILLIAM A. BAIRD