

# PROCLAMATION



**WHEREAS**, baseball is a full-body sport that builds strength, endurance, and coordination that requires focus, patience, and strategic thinking as it fosters communication, trust, and cooperation among team players; and,

**WHEREAS**, high school baseball affords players the opportunity to hone their skills, boost self-esteem and learn how to overcome challenges. It builds resilience, perseverance and skills teammates can use in their future personal and professional lives; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) promotes the values of participation, sportsmanship, team play, and personal excellence to develop citizens who make positive contributions to their community and support the democratic principles of our state; and,

**WHEREAS**, throughout the 2026 baseball season the Blue Springs South High School Jaguars Varsity Baseball Team under the leadership of their head coach, Ben Baier, toiled vigorously to perfect their throwing, pitching, catching, hitting and running skills with determination, tenacity, and hard work to achieve a victorious 28 -10 season qualifying them for the MSHSAA District 5 playoffs; and,

**WHEREAS**, on June 6, 2026, the Jaguar's fierce fortitude, athletic proficiency, and love of the game was rewarded when the team rose through the ranks and robustly defeated Christian Brothers College, 10 - 5, winning a back-to-back Missouri State Class 6 Championship for the second year in a row.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, J. Beto Lopez, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, do hereby present this proclamation to the

## ***BLUE SPRINGS SOUTH JAGUARS BASEBALL TEAM***

in honor of their triumphant win as the 2026 Missouri State Champions Class 6 Division and to congratulate each team member, the coaches, and parents of the Jaguars Baseball team on their well-earned, outstanding victory.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri to be affixed on this 14th day of July 2026.

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**MAYOR J. BETO LOPEZ**