

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the United States is the Supreme Law of the Land that structures the government by defining the powers for each branch and setting forth a system of checks and balances; and

**WHEREAS**, September 17, 2023, marks the two hundred and thirty-sixth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

**WHEREAS**, the U. S. Constitution is the judicial guardian of our liberties and embodies the principles of limited government, dedicated by the rule of law over both the government and private persons; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bill of Rights in the U.S. Constitution astutely outlines the uncompromised concept of freedom for all that includes freedom of speech, the right to assemble, the right to bear arms and freedom from tyranny; and

**WHEREAS**, the first three words of the U.S. Constitution - “We the People” – affirms our forefathers’ conviction that government should serve its citizens. For these reasons, we celebrate the anniversary of the writing of this honorable and sovereign document.

**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 the week of September 17 through 23, 2023 as

## **CONSTITUTION WEEK**

to remind our citizens to reaffirm and defend the principles of the United States Constitution, to vigilantly and fearlessly protect their freedoms guaranteed through this magnificent document and never forget the judicious principle that lost rights may never be regained.

**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 5th day of September 2023.

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**MAYOR WILLIAM A. BAIRD**