

PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, for half a century, local governments in the Kansas City region have come together through the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) to partner on regional initiatives and develop innovative solutions; and,

WHEREAS, the region consists of nine counties and 119 cities which benefit from working across boundaries on a wide variety of issues, coordinating with diverse disciplines and sectors, including cities, counties, nonprofit organizations, social services, educational systems and special districts; and,

WHEREAS, each jurisdiction has a role in creating a strong regional community and enabling everyone to come together to achieve positive change for the next 50 years; and,

WHEREAS, MARC promotes regional cooperation through leadership, planning and action, and is guided by the core values of integrity, innovation, collaboration, diversity and inclusion, excellence in performance, and service leadership; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Lee's Summit has participated or benefited from working across boundaries, allowing us to better serve residents because of our regional work regarding public safety, transportation, environment, early learning, aging and shared local government services; and,

WHEREAS, we celebrate the collaborative work that's been accomplished over the past 50 years and recognize the enormous progress the region will continue to make over the next five decades.

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 June 10, 2022, as

MARC 50—FORWARD DAY

and urge local leaders and community members to reflect on the great progress made in the past 50 years and join in welcoming a future built upon strong regional collaboration, connections, relationships and accomplishments.

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 7th day of June 2022.

MAYOR WILLIAM A. BAIRD