

PROCLAMATION
National Day of Prayer

WHEREAS: The 68th observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 2, 2019, with the theme "Pray for America: LOVE ONE ANOTHER" based on John 13:34, "Love one another just as I have loved you"; and

WHEREAS: A National Day of Prayer has been part of our national heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775 and the United States Congress in 1952 approved as a Joint Resolution, "That the President shall set aside and proclaim a suitable day each year, other than a Sunday, as a National Day of Prayer, on which the people of the United States may turn to God in prayer and meditation in churches, in groups and as individuals" and

WHEREAS: The United States Congress, in 1988 by Public Law 100-307, as amended, establishes, "An act to provide for setting aside the first Thursday in May as the date on which the National Day of Prayer is celebrated," and

WHEREAS: Leaders and citizens of our communities, cities, states and nation are afforded the privilege of prayer with the joy of seeking divine guidance, strength, protection and comfort from Almighty God; and

WHEREAS: Recognizing the love of God, we, citizens of Muscatine, treasure the freedom to gather in prayer, exercising reliance on God's power in the face of present challenges and threats, asking for His blessing on every individual of our city; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diana Broderson, Mayor of Muscatine, do hereby proclaim, **May 2nd, 2019,** as a

DAY OF PRAYER

throughout the city of Muscatine and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Muscatine to be affixed on this 2nd day of May, 2019.

Mayor, Diana Broderson

