

Office of the Mayor
City of High Point
North Carolina

PROCLAMATION...

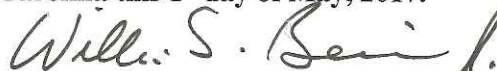
- WHEREAS,** National Day of Prayer has been a part of our country's heritage, dating back to the First Continental Congress in 1775; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Declaration of Independence, our first statement as Americans of national purpose and identity, made "the Laws of Nature and Nature's God" the foundation of our United States of America and asserted that people have inalienable rights that are God-given; and,
- WHEREAS,** the observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held every first Thursday of May as mandated by both houses of Congress and by our President; and,
- WHEREAS,** leaders of our nation have relied upon the power of prayer throughout American history; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Multi-Faith National Day of Prayer is an opportunity for people of all faiths to join in united prayer to pray for compassion for the oppressed and suffering, ask for unity and peace, pray for our families, children and youth and to ask for guidance for our government and leaders and,
- WHEREAS,** it is fitting and proper to give thanks to our Creator by observing a day of prayer in High Point, NC when all may acknowledge our blessings and express gratitude for them, while recognizing the need for strengthening our understanding, foster respect, and fellowship of all faiths in our City, State and Nation; and
- WHEREAS,** the purpose of the High Point Multi-Faith National Day of Prayer is to join the citizens of High Point together to raise our voices in gratitude, to strengthen our diversity, shared humanity and the well-being of our city.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and High Point City Council, do hereby proclaim that every first Thursday of May be designated as

A DAY OF PRAYER

in High Point, North Carolina and encourage our citizens to observe the day in ways appropriate to its importance and significance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of High Point, North Carolina this 1st day of May, 2017.



William S. Bencini, Jr., Mayor

