

Office of the Mayor  
City of High Point  
North Carolina

# PROCLAMATION...

## *Recognizing the 245th Birthday of the United States Army*

- WHEREAS,** on June 14, 1775, the Second Continental Congress, representing the citizens of 13 American colonies, authorized the establishment of the Continental Army; and
- WHEREAS,** the collective expression of the pursuit of personal freedom that caused the authorization and organization of the United States Army led to the adoption of the Declaration of Independence and the codification of the new nation's basic principles and values in the Constitution; and
- WHEREAS,** for the past 245 years, the U.S. Army's central mission has been to fight and win the nation's wars; and
- WHEREAS,** the motto of "Duty, Honor, Country" is the creed by which the American soldier lives and serves; and
- WHEREAS,** no matter what the cause, location, or magnitude of future conflicts, the nation can rely on the U.S. Army to produce well-trained, well-led, and highly motivated soldiers to carry out the missions entrusted to them; and
- WHEREAS,** the components of the U.S. Army to include the NC Army National Guard, the U.S. Army Reserves and the Regular Army have contributed immensely to COVID-19 response; and
- WHEREAS,** members of the City of High Point have proudly served and made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation's freedom while serving in the United States Army and other branches of our nation's military;
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Jay W. Wagner, Mayor of the City of High Point, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim *June 14, 2020* to be the *United States Army's 245<sup>th</sup> Birthday*, expressing appreciation, on behalf of the people of High Point, to the United States Army and to the dedicated soldiers who have served in it over the 245 years it has been in existence.



**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 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay W. Wagner", is written over a horizontal line.

**Jay W. Wagner, Mayor**