City of Hiawatha
State of Iowa

PROCLAMATION

City of Hiawatha, Iowa Mayor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, small cities and towns under 50,000 population are the home to millions of Americans and constitute the vast majority of municipalities across the United States; and,

WHEREAS, small cities and towns strive to strengthen their communities through the provision of services and programs to improve the quality of life for all citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the federal government is an essential partner in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support programs and legislation that strengthen small communities; and,

WHEREAS, state governments are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support key programs and legislation that strengthen communities; and,

WHEREAS, organizations, businesses, and citizens are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to grow their efforts to make small communities a viable choice for people to live in; and,

WHEREAS, during these challenging economic times, the need for a renewed intergovernmental partnership to support essential public services is more important than ever to ensure the safety and growth of small town America; and,

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities President *and* the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities have declared July 2019 as Small Cities Month, and the City of Hiawatha has designated August 2019 as Small Cities Month; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Bennett, Mayor of the City of Hiawatha do hereby proclaim August 2019, as Small Cities Month, and encourage President Trump, Congress, state governments, organizations, businesses, and all citizens to recognize this event, and to work together this month and throughout the year to invest in small cities and towns to better the lives of all citizens.

Dated this 7th day of August, 2019.

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Mayor, Bill Bennett

ATTEST:

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Amy Scheer, Deputy City Clerk