



## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, as the recipient of a national grant, St. John's Episcopal Church in Dubuque is launching St. John's Community Kindness Month Campaign to spread intentional acts of kindness throughout the community during the month of September; and

WHEREAS, the Kindness Teams understand kindness is more than being nice and its meaning varies across cultures, ages, and genders. Kindness is behavior marked by acts of generosity, empathy, consideration, or concern for others without expecting praise or reward; and

WHEREAS, the goal is to spread kindness throughout the community in ways that will reach all citizens regardless of where they are on life's journey; and

WHEREAS, Kindness Teams will share and invite stories of kindness through prayer, original music, print and online media promotion, distribution of coupons, t-shirts, billboards, and K-5 children creating art that reflects kindness; and

WHEREAS, Dubuquers will be encouraged to catch acts of kindness in the community and post them with the hashtag #spreadKindnessdbq; and

WHEREAS, the vision is acts of kindness will become part of Dubuque's culture and identity.

NOW THEREFORE, I, ROY D. BUOL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL, STAFF AND THE CITIZENS OF DUBUQUE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021 AS

### **“ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY KINDNESS MONTH”**

IN THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA AND CALL UPON CITIZENS OF DUBUQUE TO OBSERVE THIS MONTH AND PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, AND EXPERIENCES IN RECOGNITION OF OUR CITY'S KINDNESS TO EACH OTHER.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Dubuque to be affixed this 7th day of September, 2021.

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Roy D. Buol, Mayor

Attest:

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Adrienne N. Breittfelder, City Clerk

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