

Office of the Mayor
Arkansas City, Kansas



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the **City of Arkansas City** is committed in promoting organizations that support the positive mental health and well-being of all its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Hope Squad believes in the power of peer-to-peer connection to prevent suicide and they are committed to raising awareness of mental health issues, sharing the hope, and saving lives; and

WHEREAS, currently, suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death in the United States for youth ages 10-17 years old; and

WHEREAS, more than 49,000 Americans died by suicide and another 1,600,000 attempted suicide in 2022; and

WHEREAS, in Kansas, 596 individuals died by suicide in 2022; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Chad Beeson, Mayor of the City of Arkansas City, do hereby proclaim February 13, 2025 as:

DAY OF HOPE

in the City of Arkansas City and encourage the community to join our efforts in any way that is personally meaningful.

*In witness thereof I have hereunto set my
hand and caused this seal to be affixed:*

*Chad D. Beeson, Mayor
Date: February 4, 2025*