

Office of the Mayor
Arkansas City, Kansas
Proclamation

WHEREAS, in **June 1947**, the elected governing bodies of the City of Arkansas City, the City of Winfield, and the County of Cowley in Kansas deemed it necessary that the public health of the population would be best served and promoted by the creation of a Joint Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, in **July 1947**, the Health Status of Cowley County in Kansas was appraised by E.G. McGavran, M.D., Professor of Public Health and Preventative Medicine at the University of Kansas Medical Center, in conjunction with the American Public Health Association and recommendations made to the newly formed Joint Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, official functions of the newly founded City-Cowley County Health Department were then detailed to include: Health Education, Vital Statistics, Communicable Disease Control, Sexually Transmitted Disease Control, Tuberculosis Control, Maternal Health, Infant and Preschool Health, School Health, Adult Health and Hygiene, and General Sanitation; and

WHEREAS, the City-Cowley County Health Department has held true to the mission of Public Health in Cowley County and continues to Prevent Disease, Promote Health in all stages of life, and Protect Health through the adoption and enforcement of required safe sanitation practices for seventy-five (75) years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Rogers, Mayor of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, do hereby proclaim that **July 2021** shall be celebrated as

PUBLIC HEALTH MONTH

in Arkansas City, Kansas, in honor of the seventy-five (75) years of continuous, excellent public health service from the City-Cowley County Health Department.

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

*Name/Title: Scott Rogers, Mayor
Date: June 15, 2021*