

Proclamation

Whereas: *A National Day of Prayer has been part of our nation's history since first being proclaimed by the Continental Congress in 1775; and*
WHEREAS, *such a day has been observed nationally since 1952 when Congress and President Harry S. Truman provided for a National Day of Prayer on which the people of the United States turn to God in prayer and meditation; and*
WHEREAS, *in 1988, legislation designating that a National Day of Prayer is to be observed on the first Thursday of every May was unanimously ratified by Congress and signed by President Ronald Reagan; and*
WHEREAS, *The City of Bellbrook is home to citizens of many faiths; and prayer has long been a positive force that unifies our citizens and serves as a source of inspiration and hope to countless individuals; and*
WHEREAS, *The National Day of Prayer will be observed on Thursday, May 4, 2023; and*
WHEREAS, *the Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Area Ministerial Association is hosting a community-wide National Day of Prayer gathering at the BellHOP Cafe at 9:00 am on Thursday, May 4th, 2023; and*
WHEREAS, *it is fitting and proper to observe a Day of Prayer in the City of Bellbrook at a time when all citizens may acknowledge our blessings and express gratitude.*
NOW, THEREFORE, *I, Michael Schweller, Mayor of the City of Bellbrook and the Bellbrook City Council do hereby proclaim May 4th, 2023 to be*

A DAY OF PRAYER

in Bellbrook, Ohio and call upon all citizens to recognize the continuing need for strong positive values to guide our City, State and Nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Bellbrook to be affixed this 24th day of April, 2023

Michael Schweller, Mayor