

***Proclamation***

***Music in Our Schools Month  
March 2025***

**WHEREAS**, Music education is part of a well-rounded education for every student, and it shapes the way students understand themselves and the world around them, allowing for a deep engagement with learning; and

**WHEREAS**, for 40 years, March has been officially designated by the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) as Music In Our Schools Month® (MIOSM®), encouraging communities across the nation to focus on music education; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this celebration is to raise awareness of the lasting positive impact of music education on the academic, personal, and professional growth of students; and

**WHEREAS**, Music educators, students, and communities throughout Washington County demonstrate the importance of quality music education programs to the lives of young people; and

**WHEREAS**, Music In Our Schools Month reminds us that school is where all children should have access to music; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Chipley joins our music students, educators and communities in celebrating the power of music education; now

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Chipley that, March 2025 is Music in Our Schools Month. We honor and support the impact of music education and encourage the celebration of Music in Our Schools Month during March 2025.

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**Tracy L. Andrews, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Sherry Snell, City Clerk**