

FORESTPARK

PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS:** The City of Forest Park takes great pride in the various cultural traditions of its residents and seeks to give all people the opportunity to better understand, recognize and appreciate the rich histories, significant contributions and shared principles of individuals from different backgrounds, and;
- **WHEREAS:** Throughout American history, Muslim Americans have contributed to our nation's economy and overall identity, while also making notable strides in the fields of business, law, medicine, the military, sports and much more, and;
- **WHEREAS:** Clayton County is home to a growing Muslim American population that is reflected in our workforce, education system and various branches of government, and;
- **WHEREAS:** The city recognizes the need for public education, awareness, discourse and policies that are culturally competent when describing, discussing or addressing the impacts of being Muslim American, and;
- **WHEREAS:** Despite hardships, men and women of Muslim faith throughout the state continue to share their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends helping to set fine examples of what it means to be both a model citizen and public servant.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Forest Park City Council hereby recognizes July 2023 as Muslim American Heritage Month and encourages all citizens to participate in appropriate ceremonies and activities that commemorate the contributions of Muslim Americans.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand on this 17th day of July 2023 and have caused the Official Seal of the great City of Forest Park to be affixed hereto:

Angelyne Butler, MPA Mayor

Councilmember Kimberly James Ward 1 Councilmember Dabouze Antoine Ward 2

Councilmember Hector Gutierrez Ward 3 Councilmember Latresa Akins-Wells Ward 4

Councilmember Allan Mears Ward 5