



WHEREAS, throughout the history of our nation, in times of plenty, in days of scarcity, in periods of joy, and in moments of sorrow, many have turned to prayer, reaching out to a higher being for courage, for guidance to give thanks and to seek solace; and

WHEREAS, the first Continental Congress called for a National Day of Prayer in 1775 and President Abraham Lincoln called for a National Day of Prayer in 1863; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer was established as an official annual day of observance in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. The law was amended in 1988 by President Ronald Reagan to establish the first Thursday of every May as the National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 National Day of Prayer provides an opportunity to pray for our nation, its people and its leaders while honoring the commitment to religious liberty and tolerance that contributes to our continued strength; and

WHEREAS, there is power in prayer, we can find hope and comfort in grace and guidance of a loving God.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wil Kennedy, Mayor of Iowa Colony, Texas, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2025 as **National Day of Prayer**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, to be affixed this 14th day of April 2025.

Wil Kennedy, Mayor