



Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Month Proclamation

Whereas, Reading is the cornerstone of education, allowing each individual to pursue knowledge; and

Whereas, Knowledge is the finest asset we give to our children and the catalyst for achieving great things in life; and

Whereas, How well children learn to read affects how successful they are in school as well as how well they do throughout their lives, and

Whereas, Reading to babies, toddlers and preschoolers can have an incredible effect on their reading capacity; and

Whereas, Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Month, a celebration of the written word, will encourage young people to discover the complexity of the world beyond their own experience; and

Whereas, The Kansas Center for the Book at the State Library of Kansas desires to assure that all Kansas children age 0-5 years are read to during Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Month;

Whereas, The book "My Heart Fills With Happiness" written by Monique Gray Smith and illustrated by Julie Flett has been chosen for this year's Kansas Reads to Preschoolers project; and

Now, Therefore, be it resolved that I, Anthony R. McNeill, Mayor of the City of Lansing, do hereby recognize the month of November 2023 as

"Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Month"

and urge all citizens to join in celebration of the Kansas Reads to Preschoolers program and read "My Heart Fills With Happiness" to your special someone.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Lansing, Kansas to be affixed. This, the 19th day of October, in the year of Two Thousand and Twenty-three.

City of Lansing

Anthony R. McNeill, Mayor

Tish Sims, CMC, City Clerk