



National Religious Freedom Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, January 16, 2025, is National Religious Freedom Day, a significant date that emphasizes the right of every individual to practice their religion freely. This day serves as a reminder of the importance of religious freedom in our society;

WHEREAS, Religion is not just about major events; it is woven into the daily lives of people in our neighborhoods. Individuals from various faiths often come together to support one another, building strong connections and a sense of community;

WHEREAS, Faith enhances our community by providing guidance, promoting love, and helping us navigate difficult times. For many years, religious organizations and compassionate individuals have played a crucial role in our city. They assist those in need, offer comfort to the grieving, and motivate us to strive for our best selves;

WHEREAS, Living in a diverse society means that people with different beliefs can come together for the common good. It is essential to respect and understand one another's ideas and values;

WHEREAS, In Lansing, people from all backgrounds are welcomed, allowing them to live according to their beliefs as protected by law. The community encourages everyone to strive for understanding and to appreciate the experiences of others. Religion plays a vital role in upholding human dignity, fostering a strong society, and promoting peace and tolerance among all individuals;

Now, Therefore, I, Anthony R. McNeill, Mayor of the City of Lansing, State of Kansas, do hereby proclaim January 16, 2025, as:

Religious Freedom Day

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Lansing to be affixed this 2 day of January, in the Year of Two Thousand and Twenty-five.

City of Lansing

Anthony R. McNeill, Mayor

Tish Sims, CMC, City Clerk