

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA,  
PROCLAIMING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024,  
AS SOUTH CENTRAL COURT APPOINTED  
SPECIAL ADVOCATE (CASA) DAY IN THE CITY  
OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, the first South Central Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer program in Oklahoma was started in October of 1984 by Judge Alan Couch in the City of Norman; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, October 22, 2024, is a special day recognizing the organization's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, a CASA volunteer is a trained community volunteer who is appointed by a Judge to represent, watch over, and advocate for abused and neglected children to help ensure they do not get lost in the child welfare system or languish in foster care; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, a CASA volunteer makes recommendations to the court based on what he or she believes to be in the best interest of each child and gives a child a voice and hope; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, South Central CASA Day will inspire people in our community to come together to ensure the best interest of abused and neglected children are not overlooked, and;
- § 6. WHEREAS, South Central CASA Day impacts lives by extending advocacy efforts and increased child well-being, including social, mental, emotional, physical, therapeutic and educational and safety needs of children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 7. Do hereby proclaim Tuesday, October 22, 2024, as South Central CASA Day in the City of Norman, Oklahoma, and encourage the residents of our community to join me to recognize and bring awareness to the advocacy efforts of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) across the community working to improve the lives of children.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of October, 2024.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

