

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE YEAR 2026 AS A YEAR OF RECOGNITION OF THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States of America, a nation born from the belief that all people are created equal and endowed with the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, this historic milestone provides an opportunity to celebrate our nation's achievements while reflecting on both the progress we have made and the challenges we have faced throughout our history
- § 3. WHEREAS, for 250 years, the United States has stood as a beacon of freedom and opportunity, continually striving to form a more perfect union while learning from the successes and shortcomings of its past; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the strength of our nation has always come from its individuals of diverse backgrounds, beliefs, cultures, and faiths whose contributions have shaped the country we share; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the City of Norman reflects this same spirit through resilience, service, inclusion, civic engagement, and a commitment to respect, understanding, and common purpose; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, this anniversary calls upon all Americans to reflect on our shared history and renew our dedication to the principles that unite us and guide our future;

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

- § 7. Do hereby proclaim 2026 as a year of recognition and reflection in honor of the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America and encourage all residents to commemorate this milestone by celebrating our history, engaging in thoughtful reflection, and working together to build a stronger and more united future.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of June 2026.

Mayor, Stephen T. Holman

ATTEST:

City Clerk

