Proclamations in 5 Easy Steps

Step 1 – Select WHAT you want to celebrate or honor & WHEN you want to do it.

- What are you celebrating or proclaiming? (Fair Housing Month, Bullying Prevention Week, etc)
- Are there events associated with your cause? (Fair Housing Seminar, ADA Celebration, Movie Night and Discussion event, etc)
 - This will be helpful in planning for your submission to the City Clerk's office.

Step 2 - WRITE your proclamation.

- o Sample proclamations are available on the City website: https://www.salina-ks.gov/GetMediaItems?path=/Sample%20Proclamations.*
- The current mayor signs all the proclamations, so your proclamation should be written to reflect such. That is, it should be drafted from the mayor's point of view.
- O Your proclamation should include background and information surrounding your cause- for example: history of the cause, why or how it is or should be celebrated in Salina, etc.

Step 3 – Select your READER & prepare the Proclamation Information Form.

- O Any member of the public who is able to attend a City Commission meeting can read a Proclamation individuals, pairs, small groups of 3-4 students, etc.
 - All regular City Commission Meetings are on the second and fourth Mondays of each Month at 4:00pm, in Room 107 of the City-County Building, 300 W. Ash, Salina.
- o If there are events associated with your Proclamation, ensure your reader has that information as well.

Step 4 - SUBMIT for the appropriate City Commission Meeting agenda.

- O Your written Proclamation and the <u>Proclamation Information Form</u> should <u>both</u> be submitted to the City Clerk's office **two weeks** before the meeting at which you wish to have it read.
- o The City Clerk's Office is located in Room 206 of the City-County Building.

Step 5 - READ your proclamation in front of the City Commission!

- o Proclamations are one of the first items on the agenda. The reader's name will be called when it is time for the reading.
- Proclamations should be read from beginning to end, including signatures and dates.
- After the Proclamation, the Mayor will ask about events, and the reader may give dates, times, and locations. Some readers bring fliers with event details for each City Commissioner.
- The Mayor will then present the signed Proclamation to the reader and a photo will be taken for social media.

*Additional Assistance:

The Community Relations Division (CRD) is happy to work with members of the public to develop and present proclamations.

In order for CRD to assist, the proclamation must involve <u>social justice related content and/or activities</u>. If you are unsure about whether your proclamation falls within the realm of what CRD can assist with, please give us a call at (785) 309-5745 and one of our staff members would be happy to assist you!



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