## Proclamation

## By Mayor

WHEREAS, it is imperative that we look to our urban tree canopy as a source of strength and relief in the face of a changing world;

WHEREAS, trees in our communities offset the negative effects of climate change and reduce storm-water runoff, cool our city, filter air and water pollutants, store carbon dioxide, provide habitat for wildlife and insects, enhance property values, and help improve mental health and wellbeing;

WHEREAS, the City of has created a partnership with the University of Kentucky's Urban Forest Initiative to provide support for urban tree canopy preservation and enhancement;

WHEREAS, the City of is committed to preserving and maintaining its tree canopy as part of investment in infrastructure and neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, this City joins communities across Kentucky to celebrate trees and greenspaces and their value to citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, I, , Mayor of week of October 11th through October 20th of 2024, as

, Kentucky, hereby declare the

## Tree Week

in and encourage citizens to participate in these local events supporting and celebrating trees, greenspaces, the work of the Urban Forest Initiative and community partners across the City.

PROCLAIMED this day of October, 2024.

