



City of Franklin

A Proclamation in Honor and Recognition of Steve Bechman

- Whereas:** Steve Bechman joined the banking community in 1975 as a banker for the Bargersville State Bank and eventually moved on to Citizens Bank where he worked for over 20 years; and,
- Whereas:** During his successful career, he helped start a new community bank in Johnson County called Heartland Community Bank in 1997; and,
- Whereas:** In 2014, Heartland Community Bank merged and assumed the Horizon bank name to offer 44 locations in Indiana and 14 more in Michigan; and
- Whereas:** It is most appropriate that we recognize the dedication and commitment Bechman has shown to our community and Johnson County. In addition to his long career, Bechman has served in leadership roles on multiple boards, established scholarship opportunities, and received the governor's Distinguished Hoosier Award; and,
- Whereas:** After completing more than 42 years of combined service in banking and contributions to the Johnson County community, Market President Steve Bechman is now retiring; and,
- Whereas:** I and others wish to say thank you to Steve Bechman for your efforts shaping the City of Franklin and Johnson County into a better place for citizens to live, work, and play.

Now, Therefore: I, Steve D. Barnett, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Franklin, Johnson County, Indiana, now hereby express sincere appreciation and gratitude to Steve Bechman for over 42 years of dedicated service to the community. The City of Franklin wishes Steve and his family the best best in retirement;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my signature
and caused the corporate seal of the municipality
to be affixed, this 27th day of April 2017.



Steve D. Barnett
Mayor, City of Franklin