

## A Proclamation in Honor and Recognition of Youth Week

Whereas: The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has designated May 1-7, as Youth

Week to honor America's Junior Citizens for their accomplishments and to give fitting recognition of their services to the Community, State and Nation; and,

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Whereas: Elks #1818 will sponsor an observance during that week in tribute to the Junior

Citizens of this Community; and,

Whereas: No event could be more deserving of our support and participation than one

dedicated to these young people who represent the nation's greatest resource, and who in the years ahead will assume the responsibility for the advancement of our

free society; and,

Whereas: Our Youth need the guidance, inspiration and encouragement which we alone can

give in order to help develop those qualities of character essential for future

leadership; and go forth to serve America; and,

Whereas: To achieve this worthy objective we should demonstrate our partnership with

Youth, our understanding of their hopes and aspirations and a sincere willingness to help prepare them in every way for the responsibilities and opportunities of

citizenship:

**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 proclaim the first week of May as Youth Week, and urge all departments of government, civic, fraternal and patriotic groups, and our citizens generally, to participate wholeheartedly in its observance.

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