PROCLAMATION CITY OF TROY EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY DECEMBER 18, 2020

WHEREAS, The City of Troy employs hundreds of hardworking and dedicated employees who are working every day to make the City of Troy the best place to live, work, learn, and play; and,

WHEREAS, Because of COVID-19, City of Troy employees at City Hall, Troy Police Department, Troy Fire Department, Department of Public Works, Troy Public Library, and Troy Recreation Department have adapted to new methods of completing their work and providing quality City services for the residents of the City of Troy; and,

WHEREAS, Because of COVID-19, many of our City of Troy employees have been working remotely throughout the year, with minimal access to our public buildings, and yet, many of our first and frontline responders have continued to work in person because of the essential nature of public safety, infrastructure, and other essential components of our City of Troy government; and,

WHEREAS, In a typical year, the various City of Troy Departments have holiday celebrations and luncheons, and the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy are able to provide gift baskets and treats to the employees to show our appreciation, but because of COVID-19 those celebrations and shared treats are either not allowed or not recommended; and,

WHEREAS, The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Troy still want to show their appreciation for all City of Troy employees and let them know how much we value each and every one of them;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy do hereby proclaim **December 18, 2020 as City of Troy Employee Appreciation Day** in the City of Troy and urge all citizens to join us in recognizing this day to celebrate our hardworking and dedicated staff.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we look forward to our in-person holiday celebrations and the sharing of holiday treats again in 2021 as we are hopeful that a return to normalcy will occur.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Council request that City Manager Mark Miller and City Attorney Lori Grigg Bluhm share this proclamation with all of the dedicated City of Troy employees so that each and every one of them know how much the Mayor and City Council truly appreciates all of their hard work this year.

Presented this 14th day of December 2020.