

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2018, AS OPERATION SCHOOL BELL® DAY IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, the ASSISTANCE LEAGUE® of Norman, a chartered chapter of NATIONAL ASSISTANCE LEAGUE®, is an organization created to carry out a program of philanthropic work in the community; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, OPERATION SCHOOL BELL® provides clothing to more than 160,000 children across the nation on budgets of more than eight million dollars each year; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, studies have shown that appropriate school clothing improves school attendance and classroom performance and ASSISTANCE LEAGUE® of Norman's goal is to help children feel better about themselves and better about going to and staying in school; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the ASSISTANCE LEAGUE® of Norman raises more than \$100,000 annually to purchase clothing for OPERATION SCHOOL BELL® and each year, more than 1,900 local children in need are provided new clothing items which include one coat; one pair of shoes; five pair of underwear; three pair of jeans; five pair of socks; five tops or shirts; and a hygiene kit as well as what they want in used clothing and a new book to read each year, referred to as "Book of My Own."
- § 5. WHEREAS, the ASSISTANCE LEAGUE® of NORMAN has been clothing Norman School Children through OPERATION SCHOOL BELL® for 40 Years, and in recognition of this achievement, Norman residents are invited to an Open House on September 6, 2018, at 809 Wall Street, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

- § 6. Do hereby proclaim Thursday, September 6, 2018, as OPERATION SCHOOL BELL® Day in the City of Norman call upon the entire citizenry of Norman to join the ASSISTANCE LEAGUE® of Norman in support of OPERATION SCHOOL BELL®.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th day of August 2018.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk

