

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF
NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 24, 2019, AS WORLD POLIO DAY IN THE
CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who unite and take action to create lasting change in communities across the globe; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, the Rotary motto “Service Above Self” inspires members to provide humanitarian services, follow high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in the world; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, in 1985, Rotary launched Polio Plus and helped established the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988, which today includes the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to immunize the children of the world against polio; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by 99.9 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease with only 77 cases this year; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, Rotary has contributed more than \$1.9 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect more than 2.5 billion children in 22 countries.
- § 6. WHEREAS, Rotary is working to raise an additional \$50 million per year, which would be leveraged for maximum impact by an additional \$100 annually from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

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

- § 7. Do hereby proclaim Thursday, October 24, 2019, as World Polio Day in the City of Norman and encourage all citizens to join Rotary International in the fight for a polio-free world.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of October, 2019.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk

