

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY
OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019, AS WORLD AIDS DAY
IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, World AIDS Day was founded in 1988 and takes place on December 1st of every year; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, World AIDS Day was the first ever global health day, and its recognition provides an opportunity to increase awareness, unite in the fight against HIV, show support for people living with HIV, and to remember those who have died from an AIDS-related illness; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, 2019 is the 31st Anniversary of World AIDS Day, and this year's theme is "Ending the HIV/AIDS Epidemic: Community by Community," to recognize the essential role communities play in the AIDS response at the international, national, and local levels; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, community leadership and advocacy ensures that the response remains relevant and grounded, keeping people at the center and leaving no one behind; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, this day offers the important platform to highlight the role of communities at a time when reduced funding and a shrinking space for civil society are putting the sustainability of services and advocacy efforts in jeopardy; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, greater mobilization of communities is urgently required to address the barriers that stop communities from delivering services, including restrictions on registration and an absence of social contracting modalities; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, the strong advocacy role played by communities is needed more than ever to ensure the continuation of AIDS awareness and the provision of services and support.

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

- § 8. Do hereby proclaim Sunday, December 1, 2019, as World AIDS Day in the City of Norman and encourage all citizens to work together in their communities to promote awareness and the continuation of services and support.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 26th day of November, 2019.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk

