

## PROCLAMATION

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR ST. JUDE

**WHEREAS:** St. Jude Children's Research Hospital focuses on the care of children with cancer and is based in Memphis with an affiliate in Peoria;

**WHEREAS:** St. Jude supporters raise funds so that St. Jude can provide care at no cost to families with children who are faced with serious illnesses;

**WHEREAS:** The City of Chillicothe is and has been home to children who have received care at S. Jude, and benefitted from the care provided;

**WHEREAS:** Chillicothe repeatedly demonstrates its strong support of St. Jude with events throughout the year, particularly the Brad Wallin tournament and the annual St. Jude Chillicothe to Peoria Run in coordination with the annual Memphis to Peoria Run.

**WHEREAS:** The Chillicothe area continues to generously support St. Jude, consistently demonstrating financial support over and above what could be expected of a community our size, including its 2017 total of \$400,000.00, putting the total for our community to well over a million dollars;

**WHEREAS:** The hard work of those who organize and support St. Jude events brings strong positive recognition to our community and to the caring and generous residents who reside here.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I Donald Z. White, Mayor of the City of Chillicothe, hereby recognize and congratulate those in and around our community who organize events to raise money for St. Jude, and to all those who participate in activities and/or donate to support the kids of St. Jude.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of August, 2017

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Donald Z. White, Mayor