PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Tuesday Club of Columbia, Missouri was organized as the first women's club with sixty-seven prominent women leaders over a century ago on January 17, 1899, in the home of W. W. Garth, Columbia, Missouri to promote philanthropy and intellectual advancement; and

WHEREAS, in 1914, GFWC Tuesday Club established the city's first book-lending library with books from the members' homes and later campaigned for a tax to finance a Carnegie Library; and

WHEREAS, GFWC Tuesday Club supports and contributes to Missouri Girls Town, Sophomore Pilgrimage, Missouri Leadership Seminar, True North, the Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri, Daniel Boone Regional Library, Ronald McDonald House, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; and

WHEREAS, based on volunteerism and community service, GFWC Tuesday Club contributes funds to a young woman graduating from a Boone County high school to attend a Missouri college; and

WHEREAS, as the source of its public policy initiatives, GFWC Tuesday Club maintains resolutions that are adopted at annual conventions and reflect the organization's consensus on issues of local, national, and international importance; and

WHEREAS, GFWC Tuesday Club provides sponsorship and support to develop program materials for members that further their volunteer service mission; and

WHEREAS, GFWC Tuesday Club provides opportunities to develop personal and leadership skills, study issues, educate the public, stimulate civic consciousness, commemorate women's history, and participate in constructive public service; and

WHEREAS, GFWC Tuesday Club encourages its membership to develop a vital and continuing commitment to community improvement; and

WHEREAS, the members of GFWC Tuesday Club celebrate January 17th as GFWC Tuesday Club of Columbia Founders' Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barbara Buffaloe, Mayor of the City of Columbia, Missouri do hereby proclaim Wednesday, January 17, 2024 as

GFWC TUESDAY CLUB OF COLUMBIA FOUNDERS' DAY

in the City of Columbia, Missouri, in celebration of its 125 Year Anniversary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed hereto the seal of the City of Columbia, this 2nd day of January, 2024.

Mark Bullalve

Barbara Buffaloe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheela Amin, City Clerk