

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the Rotary Club of Hammond was chartered April 1, 1922, as part of the outreach of the Rotary Club of New Orleans, the 12th oldest Rotary Club in Rotary International; and

Whereas, the Rotary Club of Hammond has faithfully followed the Four Avenues of Service as promulgated by Founder Paul P. Harris, on February 23, 1905, in Chicago, Illinois, USA; to wit: to Encourage and Foster Service in Four Avenues of Activities. Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service, and International Service; and

Whereas, the Rotary Club of Hammond has faithfully and without interruption served the City of Hammond, Parish of Tangipahoa, and Rotary District 6840 for one hundred years, through the Great Depression, World War II, the Korean and Vietnam Conflicts, Hurricanes Katrina and Ida, COVID and other national emergencies, trials and tribulations;

Whereas, the Rotary Club of Hammond has sought and gained outstanding Leadership and service from the finest and most spirited leadership of Hammond citizenry, and

Whereas, the Rotary Club of Hammond has been true to the Object of Rotary, to Wit: to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise; to develop acquaintance as an opportunity of service; to promote high ethical standards in business and professions; to recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations, to dignify each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society; to apply the application of the ideal of service to each Rotarian's life; to advance international understanding, goodwill and peace;

Therefore, in recognition thereof of these many services and benevolences over a period of ten decades to the City of Hammond, the Office of the Mayor of Hammond is pleased and proud to honor the Rotary Club of Hammond, by proclaiming that this date of April 12, 2022 is

HAMMOND ROTARY DAY IN THE CITY OF HAMMOND

Pete Panepinto, Mayor