



# PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Wheaton and the Rotary Club of Wheaton A.M. are members of Rotary International, the world's first, and still one of its largest, non-profit service organizations, founded in Chicago, Illinois, in 1905; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, Rotary in 1985 launched PolioPlus and spearheaded the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which today includes the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, to immunize all the children of the world against polio; and

WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by over 99.9 percent since 1988, and the world now stands on the threshold of eradicating this dread disease and thereby eliminating the threat of polio-caused paralysis to every child in the world; and

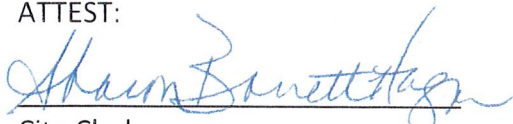
WHEREAS, members of the Rotary Club of Wheaton and the Rotary Club of Wheaton A.M. continue to contribute their time and their resources to support PolioPlus and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative; and

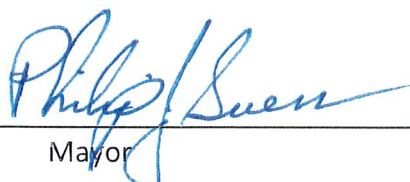
WHEREAS, their efforts are providing much needed operational support, medical personnel, laboratory equipment and educational materials for health workers and parents.

Therefore, I Philip J. Suess, Mayor, together with the Wheaton City Council, do hereby proclaim **October 25, 2020**, as World Polio Day in Wheaton, and do hereby encourage all residents to join the Rotarians of our local clubs in the fight for a polio-free world.

DATED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020.

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk

  
Mayor