

## ***Proclamation for World Polio Day 2017***

***WHEREAS**, the Rotary Club of McHenry is a member 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 dreaded disease and thereby eliminating the threat of polio-caused paralysis to every child in the world; and*

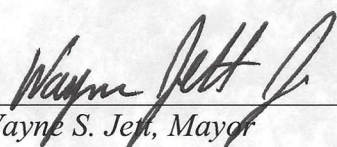
***WHEREAS**, members of the Rotary Club of McHenry continue to contribute their time and their resources to support PolioPlus and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative; and*

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

***Therefore**, I Wayne S. Jett, Mayor of the City of McHenry, do hereby proclaim **October 24, 2017**, as World Polio Day in McHenry, and do hereby encourage all residents to join the Rotarians of our local club in the fight for a polio-free world.*

*Signed this 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of October 2017*



  
Wayne S. Jett, Mayor