

**** PROCLAMATION ****

**** CONSTITUTION MONTH - SEPTEMBER 2023 ****

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America, signed on September 17, 1787, is one of the most remarkable documents in the history of human governance, serving as a beacon of liberty and a safeguard of individual rights for over two centuries; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America has guided our nation through times of both prosperity and adversity, ensuring the principles of freedom, justice, and the rule of law endure; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America continues to inspire citizens to engage in the democratic process, fostering a deep sense of patriotism and a commitment to the ideals upon which our nation was founded; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orem recognizes the importance of educating our residents about the Constitution and its enduring significance as recent studies have shown a steep national decline in how citizens feel about patriotism and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Orem is dedicated to promoting civic engagement, understanding of the Constitution, and the rights and responsibilities of citizenship among its residents; and

WHEREAS, September, as the anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution, presents a meaningful opportunity to celebrate the Constitution's lasting legacy and to reflect on the principles upon which our nation was founded;

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, David A. Young, Mayor of the City of Orem, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 2023 as ****CONSTITUTION MONTH**** in the City of Orem, Utah, and encourage all residents to:*

- 1. Reflect on the significance of the United States Constitution in our nation's history.*
- 2. Engage in educational activities that promote a deeper understanding of the Constitution and its amendments.*
- 3. Participate in civic events and discussions that celebrate our democratic values and promote responsible citizenship.*
- 4. Encourage the teaching of the Constitution in our schools and support initiatives aimed at raising awareness about the Constitution's importance among our youth.*

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Orem to be affixed this 22nd day of August in the year 2023.

