

PROCLAMATION

National Preservation Month

WHEREAS, historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth and sustainable development, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

WHEREAS, "New Age of Preservation: Embark, Inspire, Engage" is the theme for National Preservation Month 2014, co-sponsored by the Muscatine Historic Preservation Commission and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor of the City of Muscatine, Iowa, do hereby proclaim May 2014 as National Preservation Month, and call upon the people of the City of Muscatine to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name to be affixed this 1st day of May, 2014.

DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor