

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, residents of assisted living communities are active members of the larger community, offering their wisdom, life experiences and skills; their past contributions continue to be a vital part of our city's rich history; and their future contributions and participation deepens the community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, assisted living is a critical long-term care service for the elderly and individuals with disabilities that fosters choice, dignity, and independence; assisted living communities are committed to excellence, innovation and the advancement of person-centered care; and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Assisted Living created National Assisted Living Week to demonstrate our nation's appreciation of the unique individuals that reside in assisted living communities and the staff members that deliver care every day; and

WHEREAS, the theme of National Assisted Living Week 2015 is "Nourishing Life: Mind, Body and Spirit", which celebrates the countless ways assisted living caregivers nurture the whole resident; conversely, residents nourish the lives of team members and volunteers by, with the support of loved ones, sharing their inspiring lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor of the City of Muscatine, Iowa, do hereby proclaim September 13-19, 2015 as "Assisted Living Week" in the City of Muscatine, Iowa, and urge all citizens to volunteer in an assisted living community, to visit friends and loved ones who reside at these communities, and to learn more about how assisted living services benefit the City of Muscatine.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name to be affixed this 3rd day of September 2015.

DeWayne Hopkins, Mayor