

Warren County Board of Supervisors

Proclamation

WHEREAS, in the wake of the devastation from World War II, leaders from around the world came together with a shared vision to promote a safer future for all nations by securing and advancing the human rights of everyone, everywhere, and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 1948, thanks to the moral leadership and service of Eleanor Roosevelt as the first Chairperson of the Commission on Human Rights, the world took an enormous step forward with the creation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), and

WHEREAS, the UDHR enshrines the human rights and fundamental freedoms inherent in all people, regardless of race, location or orientation, and is a foundational document that proclaims a truth too often overlooked or ignored that "all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights", and

WHEREAS, from the root of this universal ideal has sprung transformational human rights treaties and a global commitment to advance equality and dignity for all as the foundation of freedom, peace and justice, and

WHEREAS, as a world we have yet to achieve this goal, and we must continue our efforts to bend the arc of history closer to justice and the shared values that the UDHR enshrines just as we advocated for the recognition of universal human rights following World War II; we must commit today to advancing the human rights of all people leading by example, and keeping in mind the words of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who said "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere", now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I, Kevin B. Geraghty, Chairman, upon a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim December 10-17, 2022 to be

HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK

in Warren County, and encourage all Warren County residents to observe with appropriate ceremonies, activities and programs, not only this week, but during those to come, as well.

DATED: DECEMBER 16, 2022

**KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN
WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**