

CITY OF HIGHLAND, KS

Proclamation

WHEREAS, on November 8, 1960, the voters of Kansas approved a constitutional amendment granting cities home rule authority. The Home Rule Amendment took effect in Kansas on July 1, 1961. Home Rule gives local government, specifically cities, the power to make decisions at the local level based on the unique needs and values of their residents; and

WHEREAS, cities across our great State manage differing opinions and views on issues ranging from zoning to funding for local services and programs. Home Rule keeps control of the community in the hands of local residents; and

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Amendment empowers cities to determine local affairs and government actions including the levying of taxes, fees, charges and other exaction; and

WHEREAS, the City of Highland and the League of Kansas Municipalities cities continually work to educate and encourage municipal officials, the legislature, and the general public to learn about the importance of Home Rule and local decision making; and

WHEREAS, the 60th anniversary of the passage of constitutional Home Rule is a fitting time for all municipalities to engage their residents to learn about the Kansas Constitution and local laws, so that all Kansans may continue to receive the many benefits of Home Rule.

NOW THEREFORE I, Mayor Charles N. Batchelder, City of Highland, Kansas, do hereby affix my official signature and the Official Seal of the City of Highland, Kansas, upon the motion, and with the full support, of the governing body, effective as of this 8th day of September, 2021.



Charles N. Batchelder, Mayor

