PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS,** the City of Olathe is pleased to join communities across America in recognizing Deaf Awareness Month and celebrating the culture, heritage, and language unique to the Deaf community; and
- WHEREAS, Olathe has been named as one of America's "Most Deaf Friendly Cities" in recognition of the opportunities and programs it offers and its culture, which truly embraces the deaf and hard of hearing community; and
- WHEREAS, Olathe has the very proud distinction of being home to the Kansas School for the Deaf, the Deaf Cultural Center, the William J. Marra Museum of Deaf History and Deaf Culture, and the Olathe Club of the Deaf; and
- **WHEREAS,** the lives of all Olatheans are enriched by the contributions of the Deaf community as well as this opportunity to recognize their achievements within our great City.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael Copeland, Mayor of the City of Olathe, do hereby proclaim September 2019, as

DEAF AWARENESS MONTH

in Olathe, encouraging all citizens to share in our Deaf population rich history and legacy.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Olathe to be affixed this seventeenth day of September, 2019.

Copeland, Mayor

Emily K. Vincent, City Clerk