PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, all Americans experience times of difficulties and stress in their lives, and

mental health is essential to everyone's overall well-being; and

WHEREAS, stigma and stereotypes associated with mental illnesses often keep people

from seeking treatment that could improve their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, mental health recovery is a journey of healing and transformation, enabling

people with a mental illness to achieve his or her full potential, and

enriching the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth, and families

today is fundamental to the future of Olathe; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olathe recognizes the impact of awareness, education, access to

services and understanding of the importance of mental health and well-

being to a person's overall success.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bacon, Mayor of the City of Olathe, do hereby proclaim April 2021

MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

in Olathe, calling upon all citizens, businesses and schools in Olathe to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Olathe to be affixed this twentieth day of April, 2021.

John W. Bacon, Mayor

Brenda D. Long, City Clerk