

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Diaper Need, the condition of not having a sufficient supply of clean diapers to ensure that infants and toddlers are clean, healthy and dry, can adversely affect the health and welfare of infants, toddlers and their families; and

WHEREAS: national surveys report one in three mothers experience diaper need at some time while their children are less than three and forty-eight percent of families delay changing a diaper to extend their supply; and

WHEREAS: there are no government assistance programs for the purchase of diapers, and a monthly supply can cost as much as six percent of a full-time minimum wage worker's salary; and

WHEREAS: a supply of diapers is generally a requirement for infant and toddlers to participate in childcare programs and early education programs; and

WHEREAS: Terre Haute is proud to be home to the organization Covered With Love, Inc. that collects and distributes diapers to families .

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim the week of September 25th through October 1st, 2017 as

DIAPER NEED AWARENESS WEEK

in the City of Terre Haute and encourage donations to diaper drives, and organizations such as Covered With Love, Inc. to alleviate diaper need in Terre Haute and environs.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 25th day of September, 2017.

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Duke A Bennett, Mayor

