

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS:	Happiness Bag Players, Inc was founded in 1971 as a touring theater company and incorporated in April 1972; and
WHEREAS:	the touring theater company grew and evolved to service the needs of those with physical and mental disabilities; and
WHEREAS:	in 1987, Happiness Bag changed its focus from drama to educational and recreational programs for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and
WHEREAS:	Happiness Bag, Inc is the Wabash Valley's only recreational and educational facility for individuals with disabilities and currently serves over 250 friends, ages 5 through adult; and
WHEREAS:	Happiness Bag, Inc has outgrown its current facility and hopes to break ground on a new facility in 2023; and
WHEREAS:	it is fitting and proper to officially recognize Happiness Bag's mission statement to provide adapted educational and recreational services and programs that encourage the unique potential of children and adults with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE in honor of fifty years of service to the Wabash Valley community: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

## HAPPINESS BAG, INC RECOGNITION MONTH

in Terre Haute, Indiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 18th day of April, 2022.

Duke A Bennett, Mayor

