

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS: In 1943, Dr. Edwin Levine MD began training technicians in basic inhalation therapy

for post-surgical patients.

WHEREAS: In 1946, Dr. Levine and these technicians form the Inhalation Therapy Association

WHEREAS: In 1974, After delivery of medicated aerosols and more advanced therapy was

required Inhalation Therapy was renamed Respiratory Care.

WHEREAS: In 2004, Ivy Tech - Terre Haute started a Respiratory Care Program to educate and

train Respiratory Therapists to fill the needs of the patients of the Wabash Valley.

WHEREAS: In 2020, eighty-five Respiratory Therapists at Union Health and Regional Hospital

serve the people with pulmonary disorders from Terre Haute and surrounding

communities.

WHEREAS; TODAY-we come together and celebrate the Respiratory Therapists that serve our

community on the hospital's frontline during this COVID-19 pandemic. Although we have witnessed destruction of lives and families from this virus, we hope to use our God-given abilities to assist our patients and community members in a full recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 28th, 2020 as

## RESPIRATORY THERAPY DAY

in Terre Haute, as it lies within Respiratory Therapy Week, first set forth by the President Ronald Reagan in 1982.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 28th day of October, 2020.

Duke A Bennett, Mayor



