

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the rate of worker deaths and reported injuries in the United States has decreased by more than 60 percent in the past four decades since the Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act was passed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Independence is committed to the safety and health of its employees; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Independence desires to formally declare its commitment to safety in its Mission Statement; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Independence desires to increase management support of and worker participation in its safety program; and,

WHEREAS, OSHA's Safe & Sound Week is a nation-wide event meant to raise awareness and understanding of the importance of worker safety;

WHEREAS, when management leadership is sincere and is supported by actions, workers know that safety and health are important to business success. This means that the steps they take to improve safety and health will be valued by the business.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rory Rowland, Mayor of the City of Independence, Missouri, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the City of Independence, Missouri, do hereby proclaim the week of August 7-13, 2023, to be

## **OSHA'S NATIONAL SAFE + SOUND WEEK**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Independence to be affixed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

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**MAYOR**

**Attest:**

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**CITY CLERK**