



COWLEY COUNTY PROCLAMATION Supporting Vote Early Day– October 29, 2024

WHEREAS, the right to vote is a fundamental cornerstone of democracy, ensuring that every voice in our community is heard and valued; and

WHEREAS, Vote Early Day provides an essential opportunity for all eligible voters to participate in the election process in a way that is accessible, convenient, and secure; and

WHEREAS, voting early can help reduce wait times, ease the strain on Election Day polling locations, and ensure that everyone has a chance to cast their ballot; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Cowley County are encouraged to take full advantage of early voting options to avoid unforeseen circumstances on Election Day and to help make their voices heard; and

Whereas, Vote Early Day empowers all eligible voters, promoting greater civic engagement and fostering a culture of participation in the democratic process;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners of Cowley County, do hereby proclaim October 29, 2024, as **Vote Early Day** in Cowley County and encourage all eligible voters to participate in early voting for the upcoming election.

Adopted the 15th day of October 2024.

Board of County Commissioners
Cowley County, Kansas:

Alan Groom, Chairman

Bob Voegelé, Vice Chairman

Wayne Wilt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Karen D. Madison, County Clerk



COWLEY COUNTY PROCLAMATION Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans

WHEREAS, the residents of Cowley County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all of the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Cowley County seeks to honor these individuals who have paid the high price for freedom by placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, Veterans continue to serve our community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veteran Service Officers in 29 states to help fellow former service members access more than \$52 billion in federal health, disability and compensation benefits each year; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 20 percent increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that 44-72 percent of service members experience high levels of stress during transition from military to civilian life; and

WHEREAS, Active Military Service Members transitioning from military service are at a high risk for suicide during their first year after military service; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties and the Kansas Association of Counties encourages all counties, parishes and boroughs to recognize Operation Green Light for Veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Cowley County appreciates the sacrifices of our United State Military Personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted; therefore be it

RESOLVED, with designation as a Green Light for Veterans County, Cowley County hereby declares from October 15th 2024 through Veterans Day, November 11th, 2024, a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform transitioning from Active Service; therefore, be it further

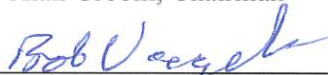
RESOLVED, that in observance of Operation Green Light, Cowley County encourages its citizens in patriotic tradition to recognize the importance of honoring all those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve freedom by displaying a green light in a window of their place of business or residence.

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**Board of County
Commissioners Cowley
County, Kansas:**



Alan Groom, Chairman

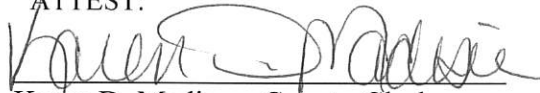


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