

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The winter poses extreme hardship for unsheltered and inadequately housed men, women and children in our community; and

WHEREAS, The spirit of the holiday season of giving provides an opportunity for affirmation and renewal regarding the commitment to prevent, reduce and end homelessness; and

WHEREAS, December 21st is designated National Homeless Persons Memorial Day by the National Coalition for the Homeless and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council and is so recognized by cities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, In this season of generosity and sharing, citizens of the FM area are encouraged to commit themselves to promoting compassion and concern for all, especially those who are poor and homeless; and

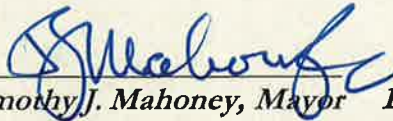
WHEREAS, In remembering those who have died on the streets, the cause of ending homelessness is kept urgent as is the community's collective commitment to preventing such deaths in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, Fargo Mayor Timothy Mahoney, Moorhead Mayor Del Rae Williams, West Fargo Mayor Rich Mattern, Dilworth Mayor Chad Olson, and Horace Mayor Kory Peterson proclaim the longest night of the year, December 21, 2016, as

HOMELESS PERSONS MEMORIAL DAY

in recognition of the people who have died homeless in and around Fargo-Moorhead, and we ask all citizens to take a moment of silence in remembrance and encourage our citizens to support all local efforts to eliminate homelessness in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and caused the Official Seals of the Cities of Fargo, West Fargo and Horace, North Dakota, and Moorhead and Dilworth, Minnesota, to be affixed to the proclamation this 21st day of December, 2016.



*Timothy J. Mahoney, Mayor
City of Fargo*

*Del Rae Williams, Mayor
City of Moorhead*

*Rich Mattern, Mayor
City of West Fargo*



*Chad Olson, Mayor
City of Dilworth*

*Kory Peterson, Mayor
City of Horace,*