

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the Mile of Music, a handcrafted artisan music festival, featuring artists from around the country, draws thousands of music lovers to Appleton's downtown each August; and

WHEREAS, many of those artists come from the "Music City" of Nashville, Tennessee; and

**WHEREAS**, this week, many of those same artists, along with their friends and neighbors experienced a devastating tornado that collapsed buildings, destroyed homes and took dozens of lives; and

**WHEREAS**, those Nashville-based artists have become beloved in our community as much for their friendship as for the music they bring each year; and

**WHEREAS**, those same artists are as much a part of the Appleton "family" as our own residents are;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT** the City of Appleton joins Mile of Music in mourning the heartbreaking loss of lives, the devastation to downtown Nashville and its historic neighborhoods and economic and cultural damage done to the city by the

## Nashville Tornado of March 3, 2020

and prays that music, which is the heart and soul of the city, will help those affected and the community at large begin the healing process.

Signed and sealed this 7th day of March 2020.

TIMOTHYM. HANNA MAYOR OF APPLETON