

WHEREAS, by resolution of the second Continental Congress dated June 14, 1777, the first official flag of the United States was adopted; and

WHEREAS, by Act of Congress dated August 3, 1949, June 14 of each year was designated as "National Flag Day;" and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 1982, the National Flag Day Foundation was chartered to conduct educational programs and to encourage all Americans to PAUSE FOR THE PLEDGE of Allegiance as part of National Flag Day ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, The American flag is a living symbol of our great nation. Its care is essential to honoring our country's past, present, and future, The American flag should never be displayed lower than any other flag, and should not be used as wearing apparel, bedding, costume, or as an athletic uniform, among other things; and

WHEREAS, Flag Day celebrates our nation's symbol of unity, a democracy in a republic, and stands for our country's devotion to freedom and to equal rights for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of the City of Rockville, Maryland, do hereby proclaim June 14, 2025, as FLAG DAY, and urge the Rockville community to pause at 7:00 p.m. on this date for the annual PAUSE FOR THE PLEDGE, and recite with all Americans the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag and Nation.

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June 2, 2025