

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

Whereas, George H.W. Bush demonstrated his love and commitment to service for our country at an early age by volunteering, on the day he turned 18 and only 6 months after the attack on Pearl Harbor, for combat duty in the Second World War where he would go on to become the youngest naval aviator at the time and he would ultimately fly 58 combat missions; and

Whereas, George H.W. Bush continued to honorably serve the United States after he returned from the Second World War first as a member of Congress, and later as the Ambassador to the United Nations, the Chief of the United States Liaison Office in China, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, the 43rd Vice President of the United States and, finally, the 41st President of the United States; and

Whereas, public service for President George H.W. Bush did not end when he left office, rather, he worked tirelessly on many charitable endeavors and, famously, with former President William J. Clinton to raise millions of dollars for the victims of the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami as well as victims of Hurricane Katrina in 2005; and

Whereas, the friendship that he developed with President Clinton, the same person that had defeated him in the 1992 Presidential Election, was a shining example to all Americans that respect and friendship toward our fellow citizens, regardless of our differences, is a goal that we should all strive for; and

Whereas, President George H.W. Bush, in his inaugural address, recognized that: "I have spoken of a thousand points of light, of all the community organizations that are spread like the stars throughout the Nation, doing good. We will work hand in hand, encouraging, sometimes leading, sometimes being led, rewarding. We will work on this in the White House, in the Cabinet agencies. I will go to the people and the programs that are the brighter points of light, and I will ask every member of my government to become involved. The old ideas are new again because they are not old, they are timeless: duty, sacrifice, commitment, and a patriotism that finds its expression in taking part and pitching in."

Now, Therefore, I, Brent Bascom, Mayor of the City of Rising Sun, Indiana, do hereby proclaim the 5th day of December, 2018 as

President George H.W. Bush Day

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Rising Sun, Indiana, on this 4th day of December, 2018.



Brent Bascom

**Brent Bascom, Mayor
City of Rising Sun, Indiana**