CITY OF WEST DES MOINES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING COMMUNICATION

ITEM: Approval of Proclamation
Day of Solidarity with Ukraine
March 24, 2022

DATE: March 21, 2022

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

BACKGROUND:

The City of West Des Moines and our community stand in solidarity with the people of Ukraine, in light of Russia's recent acts of military aggression against them.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES (if any): None

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of Proclamation for Day of Solidarity with Ukraine

Lead Staff Member: Audrey Kennis, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

STAFF REVIEWS

Department Director	Audrey Kennis, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Appropriations/Finance	
Legal	
Agenda Acceptance	

PUBLICATION(S) (if applicable)

Published In	
Dates(s) Published	

SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW (if applicable)

Committee			
Date Reviewed			
Recommendation	Yes	No	Split

Proclamation

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WHEREAS, the City of West Des Moines and our community stand in solidarity with the people of Ukraine, a country of 44 million people, now on the verge of humanitarian catastrophe.

WHEREAS, this senseless act of violence affects not only Ukrainian freedom but freedom and democracy globally; and

WHEREAS, we mourn for those who have lost their lives, have been displaced, and communities destroyed.

WHEREAS, our hearts break as we watch innocent children and adults run in seek of refuge and our deepest condolences go to those who are directly impacted.

WHEREAS, now is the time to call for an immediate end to President Vladimir Putin's military aggression. We join our global community in calling for an end to violence and the reestablishment of peace; and

WHEREAS, we hope for compassion and unity to compel the hearts and minds of our global leaders. Let us remember our commitment to uphold the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Russ Trimble, Mayor of the City of West Des Moines, do hereby designate Thursday, March 24, 2022, as **a Day of Solidarity with Ukraine**.

And I ask the people of West Des Moines to stand in support of Ukraine and call for peace.

Signed this 21st day of March, 2022.

ATTEST:

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Russ Trimble, Mayor

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Ryan T. Jacobson, City Clerk