

**CITY OF NIXA
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
STATE OF MISSOURI**

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Nixa proudly supports its military and veteran citizens; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from Nixa who served in harm's way in the armed forces have been vital in maintaining the freedom and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration in use today. It evolved from the Badge of Military Merit, created by General George Washington in 1782; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces who have been wounded or killed in combat with a declared enemy of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the City of Nixa appreciates the sacrifices our Purple Heart recipients have made in defending our freedoms and believes it is important that we acknowledge them for their courage and show them the support that they have earned; and

WHEREAS, as we celebrate our freedom, we should be mindful that this is a gift given to each of us by the men and women who bravely served and continue to serve our country, and the ultimate sacrifices they have made on our behalf; and

WHEREAS, the City of Nixa encourages all residents to recognize and honor the men and women serving in our military, our veterans, and the fallen heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice, especially those who have earned the Purple Heart in defense of our freedom.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jarad Giddens, Mayor of the City of Nixa, Missouri, do hereby proclaim the month of August 2026 as

“Purple Heart Month”

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Nixa, this 25th day of August, 2026.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Acting City Clerk