

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: in 1943, Dr. Edwin Levine MD began training technicians in basic inhalation

therapy for post-surgical patients; and

WHEREAS: in 1946, Dr. Levine and these technicians formed the Inhalation Therapy

Association; and

WHEREAS: in 1974, after delivery of medicated aerosols and more advanced therapy

was required, Inhalation Therapy was renamed Respiratory Care; and

WHEREAS: in 2004, Ivy Tech - Terre Haute started a Respiratory Care Program to

educate and train Respiratory Therapists to fill the needs of the patients of

the Wabash Valley; and

WHEREAS: in 2018, eighty Respiratory Therapists at Union Health and Regional

Hospital serve the people with pulmonary disorders from Terre Haute and

surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS: TODAY, we come together and celebrate the Respiratory Therapists – past

and present - who have served their patients and community.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 24th, 2018 as

RESPIRATORY THERAPY DAY

in Terre Haute, as it lies within Respiratory Therapy Week, first set forth by President Ronald Reagan in 1982.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this 24th day of October, 2018.

Duke A Bennett, Mayor

