

# PROCLAMATION

## *CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK*

*April 19-25, 2020*

**WHEREAS:** the victims' rights movement has resulted in the passage of laws at the local, state and federal levels that established essential rights for victims; and

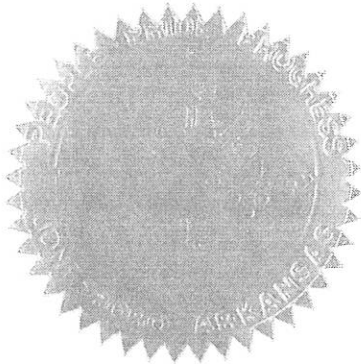
**WHEREAS:** the rights of crime victims are best protected when all participants in the criminal justice process – not only victims – are educated about victims' rights; and

**WHEREAS:** supporting victims of crime is crucial to the U.S. justice system because our support honors the experiences of victims and allows them to find autonomy and empowerment through achieving self-defined goals; and

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**WHEREAS:** the City of Jonesboro is dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our community and our victim service providers, and bringing hope and healing to all victims and survivors;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Harold Perrin, Mayor of the City of Jonesboro, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim April 19-25, 2020, Crime Victims' Rights Week in the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas.**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Jonesboro to be affixed this 19<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2020.

HAROLD PERRIN, MAYOR