

Law Day Proclamation

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The Rule of Law: Foundation for Communities of Opportunity and Equity

Whereas this country was founded on the principle that voluntary adherence to the rule of law expands, rather than limits, the opportunities for freedom; and

Whereas a viable democracy requires understanding of the nature and basis of our freedoms and recognition of the individual responsibilities which those freedoms impose; and

Whereas the Law Day 2008, fiftieth anniversary theme of “The Rule of Law: Foundation for Communities of Opportunity and Equity” encourages us all to examine the rule of law, our role in its sustainability, and its role in protecting our communities, our democracy, opportunity, equity, and all that is most precious to us.

Now therefore I _____, (mayor, governor, etc.) of _____, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 1, 2008 as Law Day. I urge the citizens, schools, businesses, legal professionals, and media of _____ to use this occasion to preserve and strengthen the rule of law.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-second.