

# Office of The Mayor Proclamation

**WHEREAS:** Amateur radio operators play a vital role in emergency communications preparedness plans for the United States, the State of Ohio and many other local government agencies; and

**WHEREAS:** Ohio has more than 30,500 licensed amateur radio operators, many of whom have provided valuable public assistance through emergency communication on a local, statewide, national and international basis in times of need; and

**WHEREAS:** Amateur radio operators donate the time, equipment and expertise to help provide the public with free emergency communications; and

**WHEREAS:** June 24-25, 2017 has been set aside as amateur radio field day for emergency communication preparedness exercises.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Steve Patterson, Mayor of the City of Athens, Ohio do hereby proclaim June 24-25, 2017 as:

## **AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS APPRECIATION DAYS**

throughout Athens and recognize the contributions and importance of the amateur radio operator's role in preparing for public service and emergency communications.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have subscribed my name and caused the seal of the City of Athens to be affixed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, Two-Thousand Seventeen.

  
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*Mayor, City of Athens*

