



*City of Dayton, Kentucky*

# *Proclamation*

**TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:**

**WHEREAS,** Donna Leger has served as an employee of the City of Dayton since December 1985, including serving as Assistant City Clerk from 1990 to 1995 and as City Clerk/Treasurer of the City since 1995.

**WHEREAS,** Donna has received Municipal Clerk certifications from both the Kentucky Municipal Clerks' Association in September 1994 and from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in January 2005.

**WHEREAS,** Donna Leger was born in Dayton, Ky., the second of three children of Jane and Gene Hebel, and she lived with her family on the 900 block of Fifth Avenue until she was 10 years old, when she and her family moved to the 1300 block of Fifth Avenue, an area commonly known in the city as "Leger Lane" because of the number of Leger family members who currently live or have lived there; and

**WHEREAS,** Donna has been lifelong resident of Dayton, except for an 18-month period when she and her then-new husband, Bennie, lived in Florence, before she was able to convince him they should return to their beloved Dayton, where the high-school sweethearts continue to live today after more than 45 years of marriage; and

**WHEREAS,** Donna is a third-generation graduate of Dayton High School following her mother, Jane, and her grandmother, Nellie Wagner Hebel, and Donna's sons, Brad and Tyler, are fourth-generation graduates of the high school, and her granddaughters, Gabrielle and Hailey, will soon be fifth-generation graduates; and

**WHEREAS,** as City Clerk/Treasurer, Donna prepared the agenda for and attended hundreds of regular and special meetings of the City Council; prepared legislation for and recorded and transcribed minutes of those meetings; was responsible for the retention and safekeeping of all city records; was responsible for maintaining, safekeeping, and daily accounting of all city funds, including payables, accounts receivables, and payroll as well as overseeing the collection of taxes and fees; worked with the city staff to develop and implement the city's annual budgets; and answered telephone calls, responded to emails, and met regularly with members of the public on a daily basis; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to her many duties as Dayton City Clerk/Treasurer, Donna has been an active member of the Dayton community and the city's boards and organizations, including the Dayton Civic Activities Board, the Dayton Parks Board, and the Dayton Heritage Museum, and on December 21, 1990; and

**WHEREAS** the Dayton Parks Board recognized Donna "for outstanding contributions to The Dayton Park Board," and in 2009, Mayor Ken Rankle recognized her as the City's "Volunteer of the Year" for her many years of continued support and tireless enthusiasm for volunteering in the city.

**WHEREAS,** during her tenure with the City, Donna Leger performed her job with integrity, honesty, kindness, thoughtfulness, passion, compassion, friendliness, intelligence, and humor, and she is retiring from the City of Dayton on Friday, July 29, 2022, after nearly 37 years of service, and the City is deeply appreciative of her time, commitment, and devotion to the City of Dayton.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Ben Baker, as Mayor of the City of Dayton, Kentucky, hereby proclaim that this Friday, July 29, 2022, as "**Donna Leger Day**" in the City of Dayton, Ky. in recognition of her 36-plus years of dedication and service to the City of Dayton and the Dayton community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Dayton, Kentucky to be affixed hereto on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022.

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Ben Baker, Mayor