

Proclamation

A NATIONAL DAY OF RACIAL HEALING
January 22, 2019

- WHEREAS, we have all witnessed racial divisiveness rising in America's urban, rural and suburban communities today that threatens the very core of this great nation's unified front; and
- WHEREAS, just like those who came before us, it is our duty to protect the children of this nation and maintain communities in which they may all be given the opportunity to succeed; and
- WHEREAS, we understand and recognize that there is a racial divide in our country, and we must all work earnestly to heal the wounds created by racial, ethnic and religious bias and build an equitable and just society so that all children can thrive; and
- WHEREAS, children have the right to be provided every opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive in nurturing environments that don't violate their safety, dignity, and humanity; and
- WHEREAS, every single person has the capability to make a simple change within him or herself that can have a profound effect on an entire society; and
- WHEREAS, if we all dedicate ourselves to the principles of truth, racial healing and transformation, we can all bring about the necessary changes in thinking and behavior that will propel this great nation forward as a unified force where racial biases will become a thing of the past; and
- WHEREAS, racial healing is a vital and crucial commitment to the education, social, mental and overall well-being of our children; and
- WHEREAS, the Borough of State College, Pennsylvania, in conjunction with others throughout the United States of America, acknowledges January 22, 2019 as the "National Day of Racial Healing," and urges all citizens to promote racial healing and transformation in the ways that are best suited for them individually, as a means to working together to ensure the best quality of life for every child.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Donald Hahn, Mayor of State College, Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim that the Borough of State College honors and recognizes January 22, 2019 as the "National Day of Racial Healing."

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the Borough of State College, this 14th day of January 2019.



Mayor Donald M. Hahn
January 14, 2019

