

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, we have gathered today on this occasion to honor and acknowledge the dedication and numerous professional achievements of Mr. Mark Goetz, Principal of Highlands Middle School, who has announced his retirement after 29 years in teaching with 4 of those years being Principal of Highlands Middle School; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Goetz has cultivated a positive attitude in the middle school – with all stakeholders; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Goetz has greeted each student by name every morning as they arrived at Highlands Middle School, regardless of the weather; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Goetz has implemented a successful Digital Conversion to a 1:1 MacBook school, building a state-of-the-art STEM lab and collaboration lab in the library, created a Help Desk to handle all MacBook and technology issues, and implemented a weekly live broadcast created and produced by students; and,

WHEREAS, under Principal Mark Goetz’s guidance, the state rank for Highlands Middle School moved from the low 30s to the Top 5 on the K-Prep Assessment; and,

WHEREAS, in the Spring of this year, Highlands Middle School was recognized as a school of Distinction and in April were rated the number one Middle School in the State, with both being awarded under Principal Goetz’s guidance; and,

WHEREAS, we are joining his family, friends, and co-workers in telling him of our deep admiration for his accomplishments and our sincere appreciation for the personal contributions he has made in the community; and,

WHEREAS, Mark Goetz has been married to Jane Goetz for 27 years and they have 4 beautiful children together; and,

WHEREAS, Principal Goetz will be greatly missed, and the Fort Thomas Independent School District along with Highlands Middle School would like to take this opportunity to wish him much success and happiness in all of his future endeavors;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ERIC HAAS, as Mayor of the City of Fort Thomas, Campbell County, Kentucky, hereby proclaim that, **May 21, 2015** be designated as:

“PRINCIPAL MARK GOETZ DAY”

Within the City of Fort Thomas, and I hereby urge all citizens to honor him and express best wishes and our admiration and gratitude to him on this day.

SIGNED:

Eric Haas, Mayor