PROCLAMATION



Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, Youth HOPE Month, formerly known as National Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month, began in November 2002 and is presented each year by the National Runaway Safeline, the federally designated national communication system for runaway and homeless youth; and

WHEREAS, runaway youth are often expelled from their home, and have experienced trauma, struggle to meet their own basic needs, and are at increased danger of failing into high-risk situations, including human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, effective community programming to support runaway and homeless youth and their families succeeds because of partnerships created among youth, families, and youth centered service organizations, community-based human service agencies, law enforcement, schools, and local businesses; and

WHEREAS, Home Base along with the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley is delivering its annual Youth on the Move Campaign to raise awareness, support, and highlight resources for young people in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim November 2025 as

Youth HOPE Month

in Appleton and encourage all citizens to recognize the role we can all play in advocating for and providing safe alternatives to this vulnerable population of young people.

OF APA

Signed and sealed this 25 day of October 2025

JACOB A. WOODFORD MAYOR OF APPLETON

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