

# PROCLAMATION



## Office of the Mayor

**WHEREAS**, for thousands of years the Golden Rule, which says "Treat Others the Way You Want to Be Treated" has been affirmed in many traditions, cultures, and philosophies as a fundamental principle of life and the foundation on which a societal ethic is founded; and

**WHEREAS**, the Golden Rule is a universal message that is accepted and embraced throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the Golden Rule is a fundamental tool to educate people about respect and mutual esteem to achieve peaceful coexistence and solidarity among members of different ethnic groups, cultures, and religions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Golden Rule plays a major role in promoting the culture of dialogue so that understanding and trust may develop among individuals and people, as these are the conditions of authentic peace; and

**WHEREAS**, the Golden Rule message is simple, universal, and powerful and it aligns with Appleton's status as a Compassionate City, having affirmed the international Charter for Compassion over a decade ago.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD**, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 5, 2025, as

## Golden Rule Day

in Appleton and encourage all residents to adhere to the Golden Rule, treating others the way they wish to be treated.

Signed and sealed this 5 day of April 2025.

**JACOB A. WOODFORD**  
MAYOR OF APPLETON

