

PROCLAMATION

Municipal Government Week
May 14th – 18th, 2012

WHEREAS, Westfield, Indiana was incorporated in 1834 with the intention of meeting the needs of the Westfield Citizens; and

WHEREAS, municipal government is the closest form of government to the people and is best able to meet the people's needs; and

WHEREAS, in order to thrive it is vital to a city/town to foster understanding between local officials and the citizens which it serves; and

WHEREAS, municipal government officials play a key role in the democratic process in America; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Government Week is an important time to recognize the critical role played by municipal government in our lives; and

WHEREAS, this week offers an important opportunity to spread the word to all the citizens of Indiana that they can shape and influence this branch of government which is closest to the people; and

WHEREAS, municipal government provides the essential public services on which Hoosiers rely.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Andrew Cook, Mayor of the City of Westfield, Indiana do recognize the week of May 14 through May 18, 2012 as **Municipal Government Week** with the signing of this proclamation and the elected officials further encourage the citizens to participate by attending a City of Westfield public meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, J. Andrew Cook, Mayor of the City of Westfield, IN, have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Westfield, Indiana, to be affixed on this 14th day of May, 2012.

(City Seal)

J. Andrew Cook, Mayor
City of Westfield