



# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS,** September 17, 2016 marks the 229<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

**WHEREAS,** it is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebration which will commemorate this occasion; and

**WHEREAS,** Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, STANLEY P. THURSTON, Mayor** of the City of Merced, do hereby proclaim the September 17 – 23, 2016 as Constitution Week in the City of Merced, and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained.

Signed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

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*Stanley P. Thurston, Mayor of Merced*