

**Buddy Johnson, Mayor** 

Commitment to Community

## **PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Centre Gives was established in 2012 as a 36-hour online giving event designed to bring attention to our local network of nonprofits, provide a platform for them to raise money, and impart fundraising best practices; and

WHEREAS, since 2012, the event has invested over \$16,900,000 into our local nonprofit network, providing much-needed operational support to missions of many kinds: arts, animals, education, environment, and health and social services; and

WHEREAS, Centre Gives began with 74 local nonprofits; 200 organizations will be participating in the thirteenth year; and

WHEREAS, our community has embraced Centre Gives, making over 100,000 gifts during the combined 432 total hours of this online event; and

WHEREAS, we invite all community members to visit CentreGives.org beginning at 8:00 AM on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, to donate to one of your favorite nonprofits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** I, Gene "Buddy" Johnson, Mayor of the Borough of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim **May 8-9, 2024** as "**Centre Gives Days**" in Centre County, and encourage all citizens to give back to the community in any personally meaningful way.

ADOPTED this 6th day of May 2024.

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