PROCLAMATION

National Community Planning Month
October 2018

WHEREAS, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, boroughs, townships, rural areas, and other places; and

WHEREAS, community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people work, live, and play live; and

WHEREAS, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their community; and

WHEREAS, the full benefits of planning requires public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

WHEREAS, the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories, and

WHEREAS, the American Planning Association and its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, endorse National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the contributions sound planning and plan implementation make to the quality of our settlements and environment; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of planning commissions and other citizen planners who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the DeKalb; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional community and regional planners in DeKalb and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals;

THEREFORE, I, Jerry Smith, Mayor of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2018 as Community Planning Month in DeKalb in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of DeKalb, to be affixed this 24th day of September, 2018.

[Signature]
Jerry Smith, Mayor