



# PROCLAMATION



## 2018 Sondra King Memorial CROP Hunger Walk October 14, 2018

**WHEREAS**, CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Service, organized by local congregations or groups, to raise funds to end hunger at home and around the world; and

**WHEREAS**, today, locally-organized, CROP Hunger Walks are an important part of community life in towns and cities across North Carolina, bringing together people of different faiths, diverse cultures, and all age groups; and

**WHEREAS**, in the last 15 years alone, CROP Hunger Walks have raised over \$200 million to bring help and hope to people in need around the world and in the U.S.; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1982, the Sondra King Memorial CROP Walk has raised over \$640,000 dollars towards the effort to end hunger; and

**WHEREAS**, last year, the Sondra King Memorial CROP Walk raised \$25,068 which included \$6,145 donated to local agencies fighting hunger in DeKalb County; and

**WHEREAS**, each year CROP Hunger Walks help more than 1,500 local food pantries, food banks, and meal sites in the U.S. provide food to neighbors in need; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sondra King Memorial CROP Walk will be hosted by the First Congregational Church and held on Sunday, October 14, 2018;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jerry Smith, Mayor of the City of DeKalb, in the County of DeKalb, and State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim October 14, 2018, as "**CROP Walk Day**" in the City of DeKalb and recognize the good-will and dedication of the individuals involved in raising awareness to end hunger at home, in our community, and around the world.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of DeKalb, affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018.



  
Jerry Smith, Mayor