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 8th day of October 2018.

Jerry Smith, Mayor