

RESOLUTION NO. 395

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, SUPPORTING THE COMMEMORATION AND CELEBRATION OF THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE ON JULY 4, 2026

WHEREAS, on July 4, 2026, the United States of America will commemorate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2025, the President of the United States of America, executed an Executive Order to provide grand celebration worthy of the momentous occasion of the 250th anniversary of American Independence on July 4, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission — established by Congress in 2016 — seeks to inspire Americans to reflect on our history, strengthen patriotism, and renew our collective commitment to democracy through educational, civic, and cultural programs; and

WHEREAS, St. Charles County has embraced this milestone with year-long programming, including events such as historical readings of Paul Revere's Ride, lantern-light ceremonies, museum exhibits, and performances that foster understanding and unity; and

WHEREAS, the St. Charles County Council has officially supported these celebrations via resolution, recognizing the importance of non-partisan engagement and community inclusion; and

WHEREAS, Dardenne Prairie joins our fellow municipalities and St. Charles County in supporting inclusive events that educate residents — especially youth — about our nation's founding, highlight civic values such as 'E Pluribus Unum,' and honor the diverse individuals and contributions that comprise our shared heritage; and

WHEREAS, such commemoration provides an opportunity to observe veterans' service, promote civic knowledge, foster intergenerational engagement, encourage volunteerism, and reinforce community unity; and

WHEREAS, Dardenne Prairie has a proud tradition of community-based celebrations and partnerships in St. Charles County, aligning with America 250 goals and enhancing regional pride and cooperation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Dardenne Prairie hereby supports and pledges to participate in the commemoration and celebration of the 250th anniversary of American Independence on July 4, 2026.

Section 2. The City encourages residents, schools, community organizations, and civic groups to engage in America 250 events, programming, and volunteer opportunities

throughout 2025 and 2026, fostering greater awareness of our nation's founding, ideals, and sacrifices.

Section 3. The City Administrator is authorized to coordinate with St. Charles County America 250 planners, St. Charles County, and local communities to facilitate joint events, promotion, and outreach.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption.

PASSED AND RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MISSOURI, THIS 2nd DAY OF July, 2025.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk

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