

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR • SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS

***PROCLAMATION***

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME – GREETINGS

WHEREAS, Just like those who came before us, it is our duty to protect the children of Sherwood and maintain communities in which they may all be given the opportunity to succeed; and

WHEREAS, We must all work earnestly to create courageous and supportive environments that promote the healing of the wounds created by racial, ethnic and religious bias; and build an equitable and just society so that all of Sherwood's children can thrive; and

WHEREAS, Children have the right to be provided every opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive in nurturing environments that do not violate their safety, dignity, and humanity; and

WHEREAS, Every single person has the opportunity to exhibit an act of kindness to make a simple change within themselves that can have a profound effect on an entire society; and

WHEREAS, If we all dedicate ourselves to the principles of kindness, respect, and love for each other, we can all bring about necessary changes in thinking and behavior that will propel this great Sherwood forward as unified force where racial biases will become a thing of the past; and

WHEREAS, Racial healing is a vital and crucial commitment to the education, social, mental, and overall, well-being of all residents in Sherwood, particularly children; and

WHEREAS, The City of Sherwood in conjunction with others throughout the State of Arkansas, and the United States of America, acknowledges January 19, 2021, as the "National Day of Racial Healing" and urges all citizens to promote racial healing and transformation in the ways that are best suited for them individually, as means to working together to ensure the best quality of life for every child; and

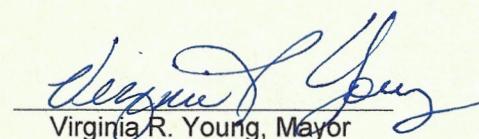
NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, I do hereby  
Proclaim January 19, 2021 as

*National Day of Racial Healing 2021*

In the City of Sherwood.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have  
Hereunto set my hand and caused  
The Great Seal of the City of  
Sherwood, Arkansas to be affixed  
This 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

  
Virginia R. Young, Mayor