

# *P*ROCLAMATION

*Whereas*, in 1968, Special Olympics was founded as a global organization to promote respect, inclusion and acceptance of people with intellectual disabilities; and

*Whereas*, Brandon Baier of Atlantic has been competing in Special Olympics since he was nine years old; and

*Whereas*, the 2019 Special Olympics World Games, held in Abu Dhabi in March, included over 7,000 athletes and 190 delegations; and

*Whereas*, Brandon Baier was chosen to be one of just two athletes from the State of Iowa to compete in the 2019 Special Olympics World Games due to his times at the USA Special Olympics Games; and

*Whereas*, Brandon earned a Bronze Medal in the throws, finished 4<sup>th</sup> in the 4X400 Meter Relay, and finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the 100 Meters; and

*Whereas*, one of Brandon's coaches has described him as a very quiet and determined young man who has worked so hard to get to where he is today; and

*Whereas*, the City of Atlantic wishes to honor Brandon for his successful competition at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games;

*Now Therefore*, I, Mayor David R. Jones, Mayor of the City of Atlantic, along with the Atlantic City Council and the citizens of the City of Atlantic, do hereby extend this expression of our sincere congratulations to Mr. Brandon Baier for his hard work, dedication, and outstanding performance at the 2019 Special Olympics World Games.

*In Witness Whereof, I do hereby set my hand and seal this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2019*

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David R. Jones, Mayor