

Proclamation Designating May 5-11, 2024, as Goodwill Week

**WHEREAS**, Goodwill is North America’s leading nonprofit provider of career services and provides opportunities for people with disabilities and disadvantages including people who are underemployed or unemployed, people who lack education or job experience, veterans and military families, older workers, youth and young adults, people reinstating back into society and others facing challenges to finding employment.

**WHEREAS**, Goodwill Industries of Middle Tennessee has been an integral part of Crossville's community, providing invaluable services in the realms of education, job training, employment services, and other community-based programs for people who have barriers preventing them from otherwise obtaining a job; and

**WHEREAS**, the Goodwill mission of changing lives through education, training, and employment aligns with Crossville's commitment to fostering a community that supports inclusivity, sustainability, and economic opportunity for all its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Goodwill Week is celebrated nationally during the first full week of May each year to acknowledge and support the efforts of Goodwill in enhancing the dignity and quality of life for individuals and families through education, work, and the power of reinvesting in communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Goodwill Industries of Middle Tennessee has consistently demonstrated its dedication to the betterment of our community through its numerous programs that have directly benefited Crossville's residents; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting and proper that Crossville recognizes and commends Goodwill for its significant contributions to our community, its role in advancing opportunities for employment, and its commitment to environmental stewardship through the promotion of reuse and recycling;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, RJ Crawford, Mayor of Crossville, do hereby proclaim May 5-11, 2024 as Goodwill Week in Crossville and encourage all citizens to recognize the notable contributions that Goodwill Industries of Middle Tennessee makes to our community’s economic vitality and social welfare.

I further encourage Crossville's residents to support Goodwill's mission by donating gently used goods, shopping at Goodwill stores, and participating in Goodwill's free job training and education programs, thereby contributing to the circular economy and the betterment of our community.

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Mayor

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Date

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