

Proclamation
Honoring the National Day of Prayer
Salt Lake County Council

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer is a time-honored tradition observed annually on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths and backgrounds to pause and reflect through prayer, meditation, and acts of goodwill; and

WHEREAS, throughout the history of our nation, Americans have turned to prayer in times of joy and in times of struggle, drawing strength, hope, and unity from spiritual reflection and shared purpose; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer serves as an opportunity to celebrate our country's rich diversity of faith traditions while reaffirming the foundational values of compassion, service, and community that unite us all; and

WHEREAS, in Salt Lake County, we are enriched by a tapestry of religious, spiritual, and secular communities, all contributing to the common good through acts of kindness, public service, and a commitment to justice and peace; and

WHEREAS, on this day, we honor the power of prayer and reflection to inspire hope, foster understanding, and bring healing to our families, communities, and nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Salt Lake County Council does hereby recognize May 1, 2025, as the National Day of Prayer in Salt Lake County and encourages residents of all backgrounds to observe this day in ways that are meaningful to them—through prayer, reflection, service, or community engagement—to inspire unity, kindness and compassion.