

Proclamation

City of Cincinnati

Be It Proclaimed:

Whereas, Eritrean Independence Day is celebrated on 24 May 2014. It is the 23rd anniversary year, which will be celebrated all over the world. Eritrea is located in Northeast Africa, and gained its independence by defeating the Ethiopian army on 24 May 1991,

Whereas, There are more than 700 Eritrean-Americans in the Greater Cincinnati who are leading an exemplary life. Most of them came as refugees in the 1980s from the Sudan, and have become US citizens,

Whereas, Most of the children of the community have successfully completed college and university education, and are working in various companies in the Greater Cincinnati, and are contributing their fair share to the economy of the city,

Whereas, These Eritrean-Americans have organized themselves as Eritrean Community Association on December 10, 1983, recognized by the State of Ohio, and have sponsored several of their fellow country folks to resettle in the Greater Cincinnati,

Whereas, These Eritrean-Americans have maintained the positive aspects of their cultural heritage and have contributed a lot to the welfare of the city of Cincinnati as tax payers, law-abiding, and hard-working citizens, as well as voting citizens.

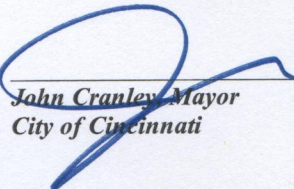
Now, Therefore, I, John Cranley,

Mayor of the City of Cincinnati do hereby proclaim May 24, 2014, AS

Eritrean Independence Day

Done in Cincinnati, Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of the City of Cincinnati to be affixed this twenty fourth day of May in the year Two Thousand and Fourteen.



John Cranley, Mayor
City of Cincinnati