







## PROCLAMATION

THE MAYOR

## ST. CHARLES WOMEN'S CLUB 100 TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Women's Club is an organization of service and community-minded individuals who support children, parents and families in the Fox Valley region; and

WHEREAS, the first meeting of the Young Mother's Club was held on December 1, 1924. Dr. Edith Lowry, the founder of the group, felt that mothers needed education to provide the proper guidance and physical care of their babies. The name of the group changed to the St. Charles Mother's Club in the 1960's, and it remained until 2017; and

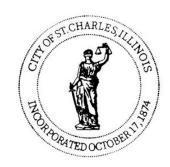
WHEREAS, the focus of the group started with infant care and widened to include school children of all ages. The St. Charles Women's Club continues this tradition today through an annual high school scholarship and Holiday Food & Gift program, in which grocery store gift cards and presents are given to local families during the holidays; and

WHEREAS, because of the generosity of their members and that of the community, the club has awarded the Sherry Costello Scholarship to numerous women throughout the years, so that they could return to school to further their education and would have some financial assistance to attain their goals; and

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Women's Club has made countless donations to local charities that have a family and childfocused mission of service, and members have logged countless volunteer hours to local non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, through the actions of the St. Charles Women's Club, communities are improved, friendships are built, leadership skills are developed and business contacts are made. More importantly, the lives of families and children within our community are positively affected by their efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lora Vitek, Mayor of the City of St. Charles, along with the St. Charles City Council do hereby proclaim the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the St. Charles Women's Club and do hereby commend the past, present and future members of their progress of service to the City and the surrounding communities.



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