



Proclamation *Spread Goodness Day*

WHEREAS, the idea of Spread Goodness Day was first created in 2017 to inspire a global day of simple goodness by encouraging individuals, schools, and organizations to show the explosive power that one act of goodness multiplied by hundreds, thousands, and maybe millions has to change the world every single day; and,

WHEREAS, in 2017 the launch was created as a global goodness day initiative, headquartered and centered around Marquette, Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, the people of Marquette rose up to create impactful Spread Goodness Day events and initiatives:

- A day that individuals, businesses, and schools committed to doing good things, celebrating goodness explosively together; and,
- A day that proves that one action can change the world; and,

WHEREAS, the local area public schools, from elementary to Northern Michigan University, participate in unique Spread Goodness Day events throughout the community:

- To create an explosive atmosphere of empowerment worldwide that the simplest acts of goodness change the world every day; and,
- To spread goodness, plain and simple; and,
- To engage schools and student organizations worldwide; and,
- To support grassroots non-profits that help people “survive with goodness” through sponsoring their fundraising events; and,

WHEREAS, local citizen Anna Dravland founded the non-profit event after experiencing the positive effects of engagement with her community, volunteerism, and social action; and,

WHEREAS, communities across the state have kept the initiative alive through the contagion of goodness sparked in Michigan and spread throughout the world; and,

WHEREAS, on the second Friday of March, we should honor the power and simplicity of goodness to change the world and positively impact our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sally Davis, Mayor of Marquette, do hereby proclaim March 8, 2024 as Spread Goodness Day in the city of Marquette, Michigan, to uplift our community and inspire the world with acts of goodness.

DATED this 20th day of February, 2024.

Sally Davis, Mayor