



PROCLAMATION

Whereas, in 1958 President Eisenhower proclaimed Law Day to honor the role of law in the creation of the United States of America, and in 1961 Congress issued a joint resolution declaring May 1, Law Day; and

Whereas, the theme for Law Day 2024 is Voices of Democracy; and

Whereas, despite more than two centuries of progress, our democracy remains imperfect; and

Whereas, still today, many Americans say they do not intend to vote, or believe that their votes do not matter, or are afraid to speak their minds for fear of being ostracized or even harmed; and

Whereas, members of the legal profession should lead the way in promoting democracy by taking individual responsibility not only to speak up and vote but also to find the courage to listen, to respect, and to agree on paths forward toward a more perfect union; and

Whereas, in accordance with Law Day 2024, we encourage all Americans to participate in the 2024 elections by deepening their understanding of the electoral process; discussing issues in honest and civil ways; turning out to vote; and, finally, helping to move the country forward after free and fair elections;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, Madison County Judge Executive, Reagan Taylor, Richmond Mayor, Robert Blythe, and Berea Mayor, Bruce Fraley, do hereby jointly proclaim May 1, 2024, as:

Law Day

and urge everyone to observe this day by renewing their commitment to democracy by becoming informed, participating in elections, and holding our elected officials accountable.

In official recognition whereof, we hereby affix our signatures:

Reagan Taylor
Madison County Judge Executive

Robert Blythe
Richmond City Mayor

Bruce Fraley
Berea City Mayor