PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington recognizes that an understanding of geospatial concepts is crucial to the wise use of our natural resources, continued economic prosperity, and the general health of all Indiana residents; and

WHEREAS, computerized Geographic Information System (GIS) technology provides a more efficient and effective means for managing geographic information than traditional cartographic and analytical methods; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to promote GIS awareness, education and technical training to use this rapidly developing technology to its full potential; and

WHEREAS, there is also a need to coordinate these efforts to eliminate duplication, reduce costs, develop standards and facilitate the sharing and interchange of GIS data methods and knowledge; and

WHEREAS, extensive efforts are underway in many public agencies and private organizations in the United States and throughout the world to develop, incorporate and utilize GIS technology; and

WHEREAS, Bloomington is committed to utilizing GIS to better serve its residents and make useful geographic information easily available to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Kruzan, Mayor of the City of Bloomington, do hereby proclaim November 14, 2012 as

Geographic Information Systems Day

in Bloomington, Indiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed, the Seal of the City of Bloomington this 5th day of November 2012.

Mark Kruzan, Mayor
City of Bloomington