

Proclamation

STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY CITY OF CLAY PROCLAMATION 2019-01

A Proclamation to Recognize Mike Hale

WHEREAS, Mike Hale and his wife, Dianna, have been residents of the City of Clay since 1990, and the City Council of the City of Clay is proud to recognize the achievements of the citizens of the community; and,

WHEREAS, Mike Hale is a lifelong resident of Jefferson County, Alabama; and,

WHEREAS, Mike Hale has served the residents of Jefferson County in various law enforcement capacities for over 46 years; and,

WHEREAS, Mike Hale was elected Jefferson County Sheriff in 1998, 2002, 2006, 2010, and 2014; and,

WHEREAS, Mike Hale has obtained numerous academic achievements and national certifications including: Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (University of Alabama, Birmingham), National Sheriff's Institute, FBI National Academy, and FBI National Executive Institute; and,

WHEREAS, Mike Hale has been active in many local, state, and federal organizations such as: Alabama Sheriff's Association (President), Alabama Sheriffs' Youth Ranches (Chairman of the Board), Major County Sheriffs' Association, and the National Sheriffs' Association; and,

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure as Jefferson County Sheriff Mike Hale created the Sheriff's Office School Resource Officer Division, Contract Deputy Program, Metro Area Crime Center, Identity Theft Unit, aggressively fought to strengthen sex offender laws, and committed personnel to a Joint Anti-Terrorism Task Force; and,

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Mike Hale the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office has seen tremendous staff diversification to better reflect the residents it serves with nearly 30% African American and nearly 20% female staff employed at with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office; and,

WHEREAS, there has been a 30% reduction in violent crime, a 30% reduction in burglaries, a 28% reduction in thefts, and a 23% reduction of overall crime during Mike Hale's last term as Sheriff; and,

WHEREAS, Mike Hale successfully kept Jefferson County adequately patrolled and protected and during the County's recent financial constraints by reducing new purchases; and,

WHEREAS, Mike Hale has performed his duties with respect, integrity, and efficiency and will retire from Jefferson County Sheriff's Office in January 2019.

NOW THEREFORE the City Council of the City of Clay, Alabama does hereby proclaim January 22, 2019 as Mike Hale Day.



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ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this 22nd Day of January 2019.

Don Baker Councilor

Dennis Locke Councilor Becky Johnson Councilor

Ben Thackerson Councilor

Ronnie Dixon City Manager Bo Johnson Councilor

Charles Webster

Mayor



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I, the undersigned City Manager of the City of Clay, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a Proclamation lawfully passed and adopted by the City Council named therein, at a regular meeting of such council, and that such Proclamation is on file in the City Clerk's Office. Said Proclamation having been posted within the City of Clay at City Hall, Clay Post Office, Clay Senior Citizens Center, and the Clay Public Library.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City on this 23rd Day of January, 2019.

Ronnie Dixon
City Manager