Proclamation

City of Oneida - Office of the Mayor

Dave Foster Day

WHEREAS, Dave Foster was a longtime resident of Oneida and a beloved local businessman who opened Dave's Market on North Main Street in 1967, serving the community for many years; and

WHEREAS, Dave's Market became more than a neighborhood store, as Dave built lasting friendships with generations of residents, particularly young people who found in him a trusted friend, mentor, and source of encouragement; and

WHEREAS, Dave was known for his kindness and generosity, often helping those facing challenges at home, with friendships, and in other difficult circumstances; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1980s, Dave expanded his business to include bicycles and bicycle parts, creating lasting memories for generations of Oneida children and families; and

WHEREAS, Dave's greatest legacy is the countless lives he touched through his friendship, compassion, and genuine concern for others;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the City of Oneida, New York, hereby honors Dave Foster for his contributions to the community and his lasting impact on generations of residents.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the City recognizes and celebrates Dave's enduring legacy of kindness, generosity, and friendship.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affix the official seal of the City of Oneida on this 17th day of November 2026.

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Rick Rossi, Mayor