

# Proclamation

*City of St. Joseph, Missouri*

## CONSTITUTION WEEK

**WHEREAS**, our Founding Fathers, in order to secure the blessings of liberty for themselves and future generations, ordained and established a Constitution for the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS**, September 17, 2009 marks the 222<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of American by the Constitution Convention; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important that all citizens fully understand the provisions, principles and meaning of the Constitution so they can support, preserve and defend it against encroachment and to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787, by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our cherished liberties; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting, proper and a privilege to give official recognition to this meaningful document and to the patriotic celebrations to commemorate the occasion; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Ken Shearin, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of St. Joseph, Missouri do hereby proclaim September 17 – 23, 2009 as **Constitution Week** in St. Joseph.

**FURTHERMORE**, the City of St. Joseph is honored to join with the St. Joseph Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution who have taken an active role in promoting history, patriotism, education and family in this Community for the past 111 years.

**ISSUED:** This 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009

**Ken Shearin**  
*Mayor*

