

## **National Patriotism Week**

**WHEREAS**, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, through its constitution, is a Patriotic Order; and

**WHEREAS**, The Order promotes good citizenship and the ideals that the citizens of this nation live in freedom, won through the great sacrifices and many tribulations which have provided the foundation for a free, prosperous and independent life; and

**WHEREAS**, patriotism is defined as love and devotion to one's Country and a commitment to its values and institutions, including supporting veterans, respecting the American flag, and helping the community according to an award winning essay by a fifth grader from the Minnesota Elks Association; and

**WHEREAS**, the Brighton Elks Lodge invites the Brighton community to recognize National Patriotism Week.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Gregory Mills, Mayor of the City of Brighton, on behalf of City Council, do hereby proclaim September 8-14, 2025, as National Patriotism Week. During this event, I urge all citizens to join with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in expressing gratitude for this Nation and the privileges and freedoms we hold.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2025

City of Brighton

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