

City of Saint Paul

Proclamation

***WHEREAS,** Toastmasters International was founded on October 22, 1924, by Dr. Ralph C. Smedley in Santa Ana, California, with the mission to empower individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders; and*

***WHEREAS,** for 100 years, Toastmasters International has grown into a global organization with more than 16,000 clubs in 145 countries, serving over 350,000 members; and*

***WHEREAS,** the organization's impact has been profound, providing countless individuals in Saint Paul and beyond with the skills and confidence necessary to excel in personal and professional endeavors; and*

***WHEREAS,** Toastmasters International has played a significant role in fostering a supportive environment where Minnesotans can develop their communication and leadership abilities, ultimately contributing to the betterment of communities across the state; and*

***WHEREAS,** the 100th Anniversary of Toastmasters International offers an opportunity to celebrate the organization's rich history, acknowledge its contributions to society, and inspire a new generation of leaders.*

Now, Therefore, I, Melvin Carter, Mayor of the City of Saint Paul, do hereby proclaim October 22, 2024, to be:



***Toastmasters International 100th Anniversary Day
in the City of Saint Paul***

*In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused
the Seal of the City of Saint Paul to be affixed this
Twenty-Second day of October in the Year Two Thousand Twenty-Four.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvin Carter".

Melvin Carter, Mayor