

## A PROCLAMATION

On Behalf Of The People Of THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE

By Her Honor The Mayor

Indya Kincannon

To Publicly Recognize

## Divorce With Respect

- WHEREAS: Divorce Well Knoxville has a long history of encouraging out-of-court dispute resolution with a dedication
  - to helping couples manage their divorce process and untie the knot with respect; and
- WHEREAS: Divorce Well Knoxville was established in 2016 as an organization consisting of divorce professionals who
  - help individuals learn more about the Collaborative Divorce process, discover alternative dispute
  - resolution methods and find collaborative attorneys, communications coaches and financial specialists who
  - are familiar with Tennessee courts and the Collaborative Divorce process; and
- WHEREAS: Choosing an out-of-court divorce process is better for children because it allows the divorcing parties to co
  - parent and end the marriage without destroying the family's relationships and financial estate; and
- WHEREAS: Collaborative Divorce affords couples more privacy in solving their differences and is often less expensive
  - and less time consuming than litigated cases; and
- WHEREAS: The Collaborative Divorce process is designed to allow couples to divorce in a more respectful and
  - dignified manner as they work with lawyers, child specialists, mental health professionals and financial
  - coaches to craft their own agreements; and
- WHEREAS: The Collaborative Divorce process and the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals was
  - nominated for the 2023 Nobel Peace Prize for transforming the way families resolve conflict; and
- WHEREAS: Collaborative Divorce professionals in Knoxville are joining together to offer free divorce informational
  - consultations during Divorce With Respect Week, March 4-8, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Indya Kincannon, Mayor of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 4-8, 2024, to be:

Divorce With Respect Week

in our city and ask all residents to join in this observance.

Given under my hand and affixed with the Seal of the City of Knoxville, Tennessee, This Fourth Day of March 2024

Mayor