

# City of Michigan City

Indiana



## Proclamation

- WHEREAS: May 1st is Law Day in the United States of America; and
- WHEREAS: Law Day is a celebration of our great heritage of liberty, justice and equality under law; and
- WHEREAS: the U.S. Supreme Court case of *Brown v Board of Education* is a landmark in the nation's march towards equality and a testament to the legal system's ability to establish and protect our rights; and
- WHEREAS: the work of dedicated lawyers in *Brown* and in hundreds of other cases challenging segregation demonstrated the highest standards of advocacy in the service of a great cause; and
- WHEREAS: *Brown v Board of Education* not only ended legally imposed segregation in the schools but was instrumental in ending it in parks, libraries, and all other public institutions; and
- WHEREAS: the decision in *Brown v Board of Education* inspired and gave heart to the civil rights movement and helped usher in an unprecedented era of progress; and
- WHEREAS: May 17, 2004 is the fiftieth anniversary of the decision in *Brown v. Board*;

Now, therefore, as we celebrate Law Day 2004, we acknowledge this great milestone case and its moral and legal imperative of equality under law, and we renew our commitment to a society of equality of opportunity and to a recognition of the value and richness of our diversity as a people.

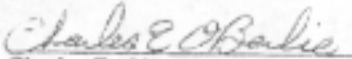
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Charles E. Oberlie, Mayor of the City of Michigan City, Indiana, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2004 as:

### Law Day

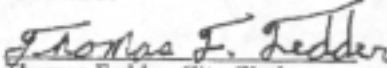
in the City of Michigan City, in the State of Indiana, and call upon all citizens, schools, businesses, clubs and the news media to commemorate the role of law in our lives.

DATED THIS 25th DAY OF APRIL, 2004.



  
Charles E. Oberlie, Mayor  
CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY

ATTEST:

  
Thomas Fedder, City Clerk