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### PLOWSHARE'S 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Plowshare Fair Trade Marketplace and Education for Peace was founded in 1989 and is celebrating 30 years in Waukesha, promoting its mission of creating a more just, sustainable, and peaceful world through socially responsible shopping and transformative educational experiences; and

**WHEREAS**, Plowshare, having established one of the first Fair Trade storefronts in Wisconsin, operates a downtown destination, a global marketplace for unique handcrafted gifts from over thirty economically developing nations, where sales ensure good working conditions and living wages for small farmers and artisans while giving local shoppers a chance to *shop with a conscience* and support global economic justice; and

**WHEREAS**, Plowshare supports personal and global peace by providing a forum for community members to discuss issues of local and worldwide interest, including peacebuilding, nonviolent solutions to conflict, advocacy for social justice, government and civic responsibility, awareness and respect for diversity, and environmental healing and appreciation; and

**WHEREAS**, through its Speakers Bureau, Plowshare educates the community about the principles and benefits of Fair Trade in presentations at schools, faith communities, and civic organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, Plowshare increasingly recognizes the importance of harmony with the environment for the sake of present and future generations, raising awareness through book clubs, presentations, and by making goods available that are produced with sustainable materials and practices.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Shawn Reilly, Mayor of the City of Waukesha, Wisconsin, do hereby congratulate Plowshare for its 30 years of building a culture of peace and wholeheartedly support their continued efforts in Waukesha.

Signed this 5th day of February 2019

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Shawn N. Reilly, Mayor  
City of Waukesha

