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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Lester Polsfuss, who became known as Les Paul, was born in Waukesha June 9, 1915; and

WHEREAS, Les Paul demonstrated his connection to Waukesha by insisting on being introduced as "The Wizard of Waukesha" at his weekly shows at New York's Iridium Jazz Club; and

WHEREAS, Les created his first inventions while attending school and living in Waukesha; and

WHEREAS, Les Paul gave the world much more than the solid body electric guitar that bears his name such as the professional 8-track recorder; and

WHEREAS, Les Paul is the only person to be in both the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the National Inventors Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Les Paul stated, "Waukesha is where it all started. The people of Waukesha were good to me and it is fitting that I come back to Waukesha,"; and

WHEREAS, Les Paul chose to be buried in Waukesha.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shawn Reilly, Mayor do hereby proclaim throughout Waukesha, the day of June 9, 2015 as

LES PAUL DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Waukesha to be affixed at Waukesha on this 1st day of June 2015.



Shawn N. Reilly, Mayor City of Waukesha

