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Monessen Asked To Participate in ‘Bells Across PA’ Day, May 2

MONESSEN – Mayor Matt Shorraw issued a proclamation in support of the 2nd Annual “Bells Across Pennsylvania Day,” an initiative of the Pennsylvania State Mayors’ Association, which will take place on Sunday, May 2, 2021. Mayor Shorraw is asking Monessen residents, churches, and organizations to participate in the event.

The purpose of the initiative is:

- To recognize and honor first responders, healthcare workers, and employees of grocery stores, pharmacies and other life-sustaining businesses who have maintained essential services while at risk of infection from COVID-19;
- To show solidarity with elected officials and residents of municipalities across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, all of whom are fighting COVID-19 on the frontlines together; and
- To demonstrate a collective resolve that Pennsylvanians will prevail over COVID-19 and work tirelessly to ensure that their businesses and civic life will thrive once again.

Mayor Shorraw encourages Monessen’s Churches to ring their bells for three minutes at 7pm on May 2nd, and if they choose, to join in prayer or silent thankfulness, either individually or together, in solidarity. The Mayor will also be asking both fire companies to sound their sirens at the same time.

Across the Commonwealth, at 7:00 P.M. on May 2nd, individuals with hand-bells, churches and public buildings with bells, and other noisemakers will ring out for three minutes in a solid chorus of statewide support for the Pennsylvanians who put themselves in harm’s way to serve the public during the pandemic.

“It’s so important to acknowledge how difficult this past year has been, but to also acknowledge and be thankful for how far we’ve all come. I’m asking Monessen to come together in solidarity with other communities across the State to show our strength and our thankfulness.” Says Mayor Matt Shorraw.

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