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**AUGUST, 6 2024 AND AUGUST 9, 2024 IS A WORLD FREE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
DAY**

Whereas, seventy-nine years ago, on August 6th and August 9, hundreds of thousands of human beings died – many instantly– or suffered severe health consequences in the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan when the United States dropped atomic bombs;

Whereas, many people and communities within the United States have been and continue to be grievously harmed and suffer health consequences from the development, production and testing of nuclear weapons and uranium mining;

Whereas, nine nations collectively have approximately 12,100 nuclear weapons in their arsenals, most of which are far more destructive than those used against the people of Japan, and the detonation of even a small number of these weapons could affect everyone on the planet, causing catastrophic human and environmental consequences that would threaten human civilization itself;

Whereas, Greenfield is a cosponsor of the Weapons to Windmills bill in the MA legislature, a bill calling for citizen hearings throughout the state regarding converting state nuclear weapons spending to sustainable energy to address the climate crisis;

Whereas, the city of Greenfield is a member of Mayors for Peace with 222 other US cities and 8,247 cities in 166 countries, which annually call for the elimination of nuclear weapons;

Whereas, the people of Greenfield join with the people of Hiroshima in their call “that all cities and citizens of the world unite together in expanding the circle of solidarity transcending national boundaries, partisan politics, and religious creeds to strengthen the bond of human friendship and solidarity.”

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, THE MAYOR OF GREENFIELD, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM
AUGUST 6 AND AUGUST 9 TO BE A WORLD FREE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS DAY AND
ENCOURAGE EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY TO PROMOTE JUSTICE AND HARMONY
AMONGST US ALL.**

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