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Christopher B. Jones
Mayor

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 2 – 8, 2016 AS DUKE CLUB WEEK

WHEREAS, for over thirty years the Duke Club has existed to enhance the experience of James Madison University Student-Athletes by providing financial support for scholarships and the general operating budget for JMU Athletics and its teams; and

WHEREAS, JMU Athletics and the Duke Club offers a pathway for alumni, fans, and friends to connect with, and impact the University as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Duke Club has grown to include over 3,500 members who raise in excess of \$2.1 million dollars of support; and

WHEREAS, the support of its membership has helped over 7,800 student-athletes pursue a degree from James Madison University; and

WHEREAS, the Duke Club continues to exist to support JMU Athletics in its vision “To be the NCAA model for the student-athlete experience distinguished by our academic achievement, integrity, personal development, and nationally-competitive programs.”; and

WHEREAS, the continued support of our Duke Club donors offers immeasurable opportunities to the student-athletes at James Madison University; and

WHEREAS, the role of JMU Athletics continues to elevate the national status of the University and improves the campus and collegiate experience for all students; and

WHEREAS, the city continues to embrace JMU Athletics as our “HOMETOWN TEAM” and recognizes its impact in the Valley and across the Commonwealth.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, Christopher B. Jones, Mayor of the City of Harrisonburg, call upon all citizens of Harrisonburg to observe the week of October 2 – 8, 2016, as Duke Club Week

GIVEN under my hand this 27th day of September 2016.

BY: _____
Christopher B. Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Pamela Ulmer, Clerk Pro Tempore