

# **CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS**

## **PROCLAMATION**

### **WASHINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY “ROOTS” CELEBRATION**

- WHEREAS,** the Washington Historical Society annually honors an individual with “roots” in Washington that has gone on to make a significant contribution to society; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Tom Gross is a graduate of both Washington District 52 Grade School and Washington District 308 High School, where he was a member of band, football and drama; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Gross went on to graduate from the University of Illinois Chicago Medical School and spent two years of volunteering in general practice through the Mennonite Central Committee at Rural Appalachian General Hospital where he made the decision to specialize in obstetrics; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Gross went on to become chairman of the Department of Obstetrics Gynecology at the University of Illinois College of Medicine; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Gross has many publications in peer-reviewed articles and medical journals as well as co-authoring a book and has received many awards for his research and practice, including the prestigious award of “Best Drs. Of America.”

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gary W. Manier, Mayor of the City of Washington, Illinois,** do hereby proclaim September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 as:

### **“Washington Historical Society “Roots” Celebration Day”**

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

---

Gary W. Manier, Mayor

ATTEST:

---

Patricia S. Brown, City Clerk