



## *City of Washington, Illinois Proclamation*

**Whereas**, the Peoria Area Civic Chorale is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; and

**Whereas**, the Peoria Area Civic Chorale was founded by Mr. Barth Dowling who presented its first concert in December 1982; and

**Whereas**, the Peoria Area Civic Chorale has performed in various locations in Central Illinois including Northwoods Mall, Pekin Mall, Peoria Players Theater, Peoria Civic Center Theater, Eastlight Theater and the Caterpillar Performing Arts Center at Five Points, Washington which it currently calls home; and

**Whereas**, the Peoria Area Civic Chorale has also performed at the American Choral Director's Association, the Illinois Music Educator's Association, with Michael Crawford in Chicago, and at the Illinois gubernatorial inauguration; and

**Whereas**, the Peoria Area Civic Chorale has collaborated with the Peoria Symphony Orchestra and the Heartland Festival Orchestra; and

**Whereas**, the Peoria Area Civic Chorale has traveled to and performed in Germany, Austria and Switzerland; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Joseph Dean Henry is the current Artistic Director & Conductor; and;

**Now, Therefore**, I, GARY MANIER, Mayor of the CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS do hereby proclaim, Friday, May 5, 2023, as

### *Peoria Area Civic Chorale Recognition Day*

**and** do commend this observance to all our citizens. I encourage all Washingtonians to support their local performing arts and attend performances by the Peoria Area Civic Chorale.

**PROCLAIMED** this 1st day of May, 2023.

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Gary W. Manier, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Valeri L. Brod, City Clerk