City of Sumter

South Carolina

Proclamation

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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WHEREAS, the *Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast* will take place on *Thursday, May 3, 2012*, at *7:30 a.m.* at *the M. H. Newton Family Life Enrichment Center*, and a *National Day of Prayer Ceremony* will take place on *Thursday, May 3, 2012*, at *12:00 p.m.* on the *front lawn at the Sumter County Courthouse;* and

WHEREAS, Sumter is a City blessed with numerous churches and with citizens who exhibit their faith through their actions and who seek guidance through daily prayer; and

WHEREAS, Thursday, May 3, 2012, has been declared as a National Day of Prayer by our Congress and President; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Sumter wish to join millions throughout our United States of America in prayer on this important occasion; and

WHEREAS, the theme for the National Day of Prayer is *"One Nation Under God"*.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor of the City of Sumter, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim, *Thursday, May 3, 2012* as a:

"DAY OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING"
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and urge the citizens of the City of Sumter to join me in observing this Day of Prayer and Thanksgiving by praying with special diligence for the peace and welfare of our country, state, city and county; for wisdom and guidance for our leaders at all levels of government, church, business and family; for compassion and healing for all who are in physical, financial and spiritual need; and with thanksgiving for all the blessings we enjoy each day.

FURTHERMORE, I extend a special thanks to the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Committee for its service and dedication in organizing the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, the Sumter Ministerial Association and the Black Concerned Clergy of Sumter for their dedication and service in organizing the National Day of Prayer Ceremony. Additionally, I respectfully ask that all Sumter media, including The Item, the radio stations of Miller Communications (WIBZ, WICI, WKHT and WDXY), WQMC Radio, and WRJA-TV and Radio, publicize this proclamation, and the two associated events, by announcing to the public, the designation of May 3, 2012 as a "National Day of Prayer and Thanksgiving."

Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor

Linda D. Hammett, City Clerk