



PROCLAMATION

Schifferstadt Day May 4, 2019

WHEREAS: The City of Schifferstadt, our Sister City in Germany, was first mentioned in a document dating back to May 25, 868 AD, by King Ludwig the German. The name of the settlement close to the Rhine River evolved from Sciffestad to Schiverstad to its current incarnation; and

WHEREAS: In 1758, the Brunner family of Schifferstadt settled and established a homestead in what was then called Fredericktown. In the years that followed, many other immigrants from Germany came and settled and made history in what is now the City of Frederick; and

WHEREAS: The relationship between the two cities since then has been instrumental in the development of the two cultures: Frederick named Schifferstadt Boulevard in 1990, signs are posted in both Frederick and Schifferstadt to identify us as sister cities, and, since 1995, our city has annually proclaimed Schifferstadt Day; and

WHEREAS: We pass this legacy on to generations to come, even as we continue to seek ways in which to foster the exchange of ideas and create greater mutual understanding between the people of our two great cities and nations; and

WHEREAS: On May 4 this year at Grace United Church of Christ in Frederick, the Sister Cities Association will celebrate Maifest and the relationship between Frederick and Schifferstadt,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael O'Connor, Mayor of The City of Frederick, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2019, **Schifferstadt Day** in The City of Frederick, and I invite all citizens to acquaint themselves with our sister city and the cultural influences that distinguish our home.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. O'Connor", is written over a horizontal line.

Mayor Michael O'Connor
Aldermen: Kelly Russell, President Pro-Tem,
Derek Shackelford, Roger Wilson,
Donna Kuzemchak, Ben MacShane