

Proclamation

National Payroll Week *September 1 – September 5, 2003*

Whereas the American Payroll Association and its 20,000 members have launched a nationwide public awareness campaign that pays tribute to the more than 142 million people who work in the United States and the payroll professionals who support the American system by paying wages, reporting worker earnings and withholding federal employment taxes; and

Whereas payroll professionals in the City of Bethel play a key role in maintaining Bethel's economic health, carrying out such diverse tasks as paying into the unemployment insurance system, providing information for child support enforcement and carrying out tax withholding, reporting and depositing; and

Whereas payroll departments collectively spend more than \$15 billion annually complying with a myriad of federal and state wage and tax laws; and

Whereas payroll professionals play an increasingly important role ensuring the economic security of American families by helping to identify non custodial parents and making sure they comply with their child support mandates; and

Whereas payroll professionals have become increasingly proactive in educating both the business community and the public at large about the payroll tax withholding systems; and

Whereas payroll professionals meet regularly with federal and state tax officials to discuss both improving compliance with government procedures and how compliance can be achieved at less cost to both government and businesses; and

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the City Council of Bethel declares September 1 – September 5, 2003 to be National Payroll Week, I hereby give additional support to the efforts of the people who work in the City of Bethel and of the payroll profession by proclaiming the first week of September this Bethel's Payroll Week.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2003

Hugh Short, Jr., Mayor

Amanda Roudebush, City Clerk