

CITY OF TROY
LAW DAY PROCLAMATION
May 1, 2006

WHEREAS, Law Day is a celebration of our great heritage of liberty, justice, and equality under law; and

WHEREAS, our nation's Founders created a doctrine of separation of powers among the three branches of government - executive, legislative, and judicial; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to balance any accumulation of power, our nation's Founders included a system of checks and balances in the Constitution, and this system ensures that each branch serves as a constraint on, and is constrained by, the powers of other branches; and

WHEREAS, our system of separation of powers and checks and balances stands as a model for other nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, the theme of Law Day 2006 , "Liberty Under the Law: Separate Branches, Balanced Powers," provides an opportunity to acknowledge that although the separate branches of government have their separate spheres and separate powers, they work together for the common good.

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Troy proclaims **Monday, May 1, 2006, as Law Day.** We urge the citizens, schools, businesses, and media of the City of Troy to use this occasion to dedicate ourselves to preserve and strengthen the rule of law.*

Louise E. Schilling, Mayor

Cristina Broomfield, Mayor Pro Tem

David A. Lambert, Councilman

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