

**PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF
PASTOR JACK MANNSCHRECK
11 YEARS OF SERVICE AT BIG BEAVER METHODIST CHURCH**

WHEREAS, Pastor Jack Mannschreck grew up on a farm south of Adrian, Michigan and went to school in Morenci. He inherited his “farm work ethic” from his father and his mother taught him the enduring lesson that it is not our ability that matters to God as much as our availability. He lives by the teaching that all who follow Christ are called to ministry – not just clergy – and that all can find meaning for their lives in by fulfilling God’s purpose; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Jack is proud to be an interdisciplinary student, earning a Bachelors of Science Degree in Medical Technology from Michigan State, his Masters of Divinity from Boston University and a Masters of Business Administration from Wayne State University. In January 2013, **Pastor Jack** began a Doctorate of Ministry Degree at Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary in the area of Spiritual Direction and Formation; and

WHEREAS, For many years **Pastor Jack** wrote a column for the Michigan Christian Advocate. He has also written articles which were published in various magazines and on the internet; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Jack is in his eleventh year as the pastor of Big Beaver United Methodist Church in Troy having served as a United Methodist Pastor in the greater Detroit area for nearly 29 years: Grosse Pointe (Associate) 1984-1992, Oxford 1992-2002, Big Beaver 2002 – present; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Jack is also very involved within the Troy community, serving with care and compassion as a Fire Chaplain for 10 years; a keynote speaker in 2010 for the annual Troy Community Coalition Prayer Breakfast; and his involvement with the Troy Interfaith Group since its inception; and.

WHEREAS, Pastor Jack and his wife, **Ruth**, have been married for 26 years and they have four children - **Jeremiah (daughter-in-law Sara), Benjamin, Sarah and Jonathan**. Music is a very integral part of the entire Mannschreck family. Each of them sing and play a variety of instruments. Travel is also important to the family. In 2006 they went to England as part of the Board of Global Ministry exchange program, and they have all worked on mission trips in Haiti;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Troy extends special recognition to **Pastor Jack Mannschreck**, for his selfless and tireless service to our community and his congregation at **Big Beaver United Methodist Church**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Troy City Council and all of Troy’s residents congratulate **Pastor Jack Mannschreck** for his 11 years of dedication and commitment and wish him continued success in all future endeavors, especially his new assignment at Central United Methodist Church in Waterford which begins on July 7. He will be missed not only by his congregation but the entire Troy community.

Presented this 3rd day of June 2013.