



# *Proclamation*

## **Proclaiming March as National Athletic Training Month**

**WHEREAS**, the Missouri Athletic Trainers' Association was founded in 1984 as an organization committed to the education of its members and the enhancement of the profession of athletic training, creating better healthcare for the population it serves; and

**WHEREAS**, athletic trainers from professional, collegiate, and high school teams; industries; physician offices; rehabilitation clinics; and every branch of the United States military work together to promote and practice the profession of athletic training within Smithville, Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care for athletes and persons engaged in regular physical activity; and

**WHEREAS**, athletic trainers are highly skilled health care professionals who specialize in immediate, acute and emergency care; examination, assessment and diagnosis; injury prevention; risk management; therapeutic intervention; and rehabilitation of injury and illness; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Athletic Trainers' Association represents and supports more than 45,000 members of the athletic training profession, including more than 1,500 athletic trainers in the State of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, leading organizations concerned with athletic training and healthcare have united in a common commitment to raise public awareness of the importance of the profession of athletic training and the role of athletic trainers in the provision of quality healthcare services; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the City of Smithville to promote improved healthcare for athletes and all of those who engage in physical activity.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Damien Boley, Mayor of Smithville, Missouri, do hereby proclaim the month of March as National Athletic Training Month, and call upon residents of Smithville to join me in recognizing athletic trainers for their honorable work in keeping the community healthy.

**PROCLAIMED THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH OF 2025.**

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Damien Boley, Mayor