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A PROCLAMATION BY MAYOR JIM PAINE

- WHEREAS,** World Accordion Day, May 6th, is an annual event held worldwide in honor of the 1829 patent by Cryril Demian that began the accordion family of musical instruments on a path of prolific technological and artistic developments as displayed at *A World of Accordions Museum* in Superior, WI; and
- WHEREAS,** widely held as the finest collection in the world, this local attraction draws conventions, performing artists, festival participants and reporters from many countries; and
- WHEREAS,** the local institution has received honors from UNESCO member, Confederation *Internationale des Accordeonistes*, which is a leading proponent for preservation of cultural history and artistic excellence; and
- WHEREAS,** it's worldwide webcasts include Superior's festival, drawing attention to this area and the array of international artists who perform here;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM PAINE, Mayor of the City of Superior, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 6, 2018 as

WORLD ACCORDION DAY

in the City of Superior, Wisconsin.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 6th day of May, Two Thousand Eighteen.

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- WHEREAS,** one hundred years after his birth (January 31, 1917), Willard Palmer is still recognized as a leader in music pedagogy and performance practice through nearly 800 published editions for keyboard instruments; and
- WHEREAS,** based on Palmer's meticulous scholarship, his multi-instrument methodologies have been translated into 17 languages are in practice worldwide; and
- WHEREAS,** 2018 celebrates the sixth anniversary of the receipt of Palmer's estate into Superior's *A World of Accordions Museum*; and
- WHEREAS,** Palmer's celebrity and this festival attract international scholars and artists to the city, as does his unique and beautiful ten-foot harpsichord that graces the *Harrington ARTS Center* concert hall;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM PAINE, Mayor of the City of Superior, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 5, 2018 as

DR. WILLARD A. PALMER DAY

in the City of Superior, Wisconsin.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 5th day of May, Two Thousand Eighteen.

Mayor Jim Paine

