





Thursday, February 2, 2023

Congressman
Joseph D. Morelle

Senator Jeremy Cooney

Sheriff Todd Baxter

City Councilmember Willie Lightfoot

Robert Duffy, CEO, Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce

Pastor Roger Breedlove

Pastor Phil Harlo

Rabbi Jim Appel

Pastor Vince DiPaola

Pastor Steve Edin On Thursday May 4, 2023, our nation will observe the National Day of Prayer. This is the 73rd consecutive opportunity for Americans to gather in celebration of faith and peace. Plans are underway to observe a Regional National Day of Prayer with a special event in the City of Rochester on Thursday, May 4, 2023. Your participation would be greatly appreciated.

As our community — like much of the country — grapples with increased violent crime, economic struggles and inequity, this event is an opportunity for individuals of all faiths to celebrate peace and ask for continued divine guidance, mercy and protection as we seek a more just world.

We have extended our invitation to friends in local governments from across New York, Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Delaware, Connecticut, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and parts of Canada and are hopeful they will join us in Rochester for this historic display of peace and goodwill. Your presence at the event will attest to the solidarity of our regional community leaders and others who are dedicated to combatting present and future challenges and affirming the belief that we function better together.

The Planning Committee for the National Day of Prayer Regional event would like to keep you apprised of the upcoming observance and call upon you for assistance as needed. In the coming months, you will receive periodic updates.

It would also be appreciated if you would help publicize this event and opportunities to participate through your organization's newsletters, social media and other communication channels.

We look forward to May 4, 2023. Please let us know if you are interested in joining the planning effort. Or if you wish to be removed from our contact list, at communications@monroecounty.gov

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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