WHEREAS, Junior ROTC was officially implemented in American high schools in 1916, began in Kansas in 1917 and in Wichita in 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, cadet Leadership Programs were started in selected middle schools in 1997 making Wichita a leader in the nation in this initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, the Junior ROTC and Leadership Programs are recognized in Wichita for building citizenship and good character in our youth; and

**WHEREAS**, there are now more than 2,300 Wichita youth participating as cadets in 18 of our public schools.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Jim Howell, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 5 - 11, 2016 as

## WICHITA JUNIOR ROTC LEADERSHIP WEEK

In recognition of these fine young men and women who are becoming better leaders and citizens for the future through their involvement in the Junior ROTC and Leadership programs.

November 2, 2016