WHEREAS, on August 6, 1977, Rev. Jessie (Marrell) Cornwell became pastor of First Pentecostal Church in Wichita; and

WHEREAS, beginning with an average attendance of 150, under the leadership of Rev. Cornwell, First Pentecostal Church now has an average attendance of 900. They have expanded their service through a bus ministry that covers most of Wichita and Derby with 350 to 500 riders every Sunday; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Cornwell and his congregation have opened their doors to the community.

WHEREAS, he and his congregation have positively affected the entire community through activities such as becoming a polling place for elections, donating money for a drug dog for the Wichita Police Department, working with area schools to help students with special needs to learn workplace skills, and on Sundays, feed children that would otherwise go hungry.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, David Unruh, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim August 6, 2017 as

BISHOP CORNWELL DAY

And thank Bishop Marrell Cornwell for all the good that he and his congregation have done for our community and congratulate him on his fortieth anniversary at First Pentecostal Church.

August 2, 2017