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Mayor Jacobs Issues Statement About National Day of Prayer

KNOXVILLE, *Tenn*.— Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs issued the following statement about the National Day of Prayer, an annual observation held on the first Thursday of May.

"One of the greatest blessings we Americans enjoy is the freedom to worship in whatever way we wish. During this time of crisis, as a Christian, I have found much solace in the words of Psalm 46, which describes the peace God brings into our lives even as the world is falling apart around us. On this National Day of Prayer, no matter your faith, I encourage you to connect with your source of inner peace and strength through mediation and prayer."

In 1952 a joint resolution of the United States Congress and President Harry S. Truman proclaimed National Day of Prayer be observed annually on July 4. Americans have observed the day in their own way each year since that date. President Ronald Reagan later moved the observance to the first Thursday in May.

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