

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Jerry Apps, a longtime Madison resident, who has dedicated his life to celebrating and preserving the rich agricultural and rural heritage of Wisconsin, celebrates his 90th birthday on July 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Apps has made significant contributions to literature, education, and storytelling, capturing the essence of Wisconsin's landscapes, communities, and traditions through more than 50 fiction and nonfiction books including children's books; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Apps has inspired countless individuals through his creative writing workshops, writings, radio programs, and public appearances, fostering a deeper appreciation for the history and culture of our great state; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Apps has won numerous awards for his writing, received the Distinguished Service Award from the University of Wisconsin-Madison's College of Agricultural and Life Science, was named a Fellow by the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences Arts and Letters, and was named to the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Apps has created six documentaries with Wisconsin Public Television and won a regional Emmy Award for the TV documentary A Farm Winter; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Apps has presented to more than 125 Wisconsin libraries and historical society groups; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Apps has exemplified the spirit of Madison and Wisconsin through his commitment to community, environmental stewardship, and the promotion of sustainable living; and

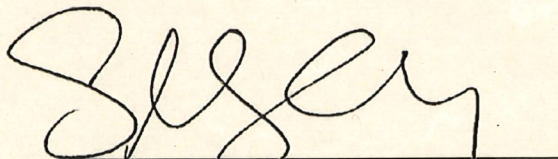
WHEREAS, the Madison community recognizes and appreciates Jerry Apps for his unwavering dedication to preserving our city and state's unique identity and fostering a sense of pride in our shared history; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Satya Rhodes-Conway, Mayor of Madison, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim **July 25, 2024** as

JERRY APPS DAY

in the City of Madison.





Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

Signed and sealed this 7TH day of February, 2024 at City Hall