

# Borough of West Chester



## Office of the Mayor

*Carolyn T. Comitta*

*Proclamation*

*International Day of Peace*

*September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011*

- Whereas:** *In 1981 the United Nations proclaimed the International Day of Peace be "devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples; and*
- Whereas:** *The United Nations expanded the observance of the International Day of Peace in 2001 to include the call for a day of global ceasefire and non-violence, and invited all nations and people to honor a cessation of hostilities for the duration of the Day; and*
- Whereas:** *If we can create one day of peace, we will realize that we can work together to create a culture of peace, one day at a time; and*
- Whereas:** *Mayors for Peace has surmounted the 5,000-city membership level which makes them the largest international, direct-membership association of local governments in the world. Cities representing nearly one billion people have taken a stand against the nuclear threat.*
- Whereas:** *The growing support for the observance of the International Day of Peace, affirms a vision of our world at peace, and fosters cooperation between individuals, organizations and nations.*

**Now Therefore, I, Carolyn T. Comitta, Mayor of the Borough of West Chester, do hereby proclaim September 21st, 2011 as**

### *International Day of Peace*

*throughout the Borough of West Chester and urge all government departments and agencies, organizations schools, places of worship and individuals in our city to commemorate, in an appropriate manner, the International Day of Peace. This may include community service projects, cultural exhibits and performances, a moment of silence, ringing of bells, sharing the universal wish 'May Peace Prevail on Earth' at noon, vigils, religious services in our places of worship, and other education and public awareness activities in order to help establish a global day of peace in our homes, our communities and between nations.*



***In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Office of Mayor of the Borough of West Chester, Pennsylvania to be affixed on this 21st day of September 2011.***

*Carolyn T. Comitta*

*Carolyn T. Comitta, Mayor  
Borough of West Chester, Pennsylvania*