# P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, nowspaper week has been established throughout the country because of the vital importance of the free press to our country's welfare; and

WHEREAS, the free press has served well to guard our liberties and expose those who would encroach upon them; and

WHEREAS, the free press has played an important roll in our country's development in inquiring and seeking out the truth and informing the general public; and

WHEREAS, a free press is necessary in guaranteeing freedom of speech, freedom of worship and freedom of opportunity and to stimulate social and economical progress; and

WHEREAS, National Newspaper Week has been designated as October 1 to 8, 1954,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. D. BAKER, Mayor of the City of Las Vegas, do hereby recognize the merits of paying tribute to our nation's free press and do therefore hereby proclaim that the week of October 1 to 8, 1954, shall be

"NATIONAL NEWSPAPER WEEK"

and I recommend and urge that all people pay tribute therefore.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the City of Las Vegas, this 22nd day of September, 1954.

C. D. Baker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Lee Ballinger
City Clerk

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