

**CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

August 10, 2022

No. 22-36

Celebrating the 125th anniversary of the Hamline Church Dining Hall at the Minnesota State Fair

Whereas, the Hamline Methodist Episcopal Church Ladies Aid Society in 1897 opened a small food stand at the Minnesota State Fair, serving lemonade and sandwiches; and

Whereas, the women wished to help their congregation raise money to build its own church; and

Whereas, that effort by women and the greater congregation launched a tradition that continues today; and

Whereas, that tradition is one that generations of church members and friends have taken part in; and

Whereas, the dining hall has continued through two world wars, the Great Depression, the 1940s polio epidemic and the recent COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, the dining hall continues to provide good food and fellowship to fairgoers; and

Whereas, the dining hall has become the oldest continuously operated food service establishment at the fair today and is a traditional stop for many fairgoers; and

Whereas, the dining hall proceeds have supported St. Paul area nonprofits including Keystone and Emma Norton Services; and

Whereas, the dining hall crew is proud to be part of the fair and part of the fine City of Falcon Heights; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota:

- Thursday, August 25 is declared Hamline Church Dining Hall Day in the City of Falcon Heights.
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Moved by:

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Approved by:


Randall C. Gustafson
Mayor

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Attested by:


Jack Linehan
City Administrator