

Office of the Mayor

CITY OF MANITOWOC

# Proclamation

WHEREAS, everyone remembers someone special – a neighbor, teacher, relative or friend who broadened our horizons and brought a little magic into our lives; and

WHEREAS, one way to return the favor is to mentor a child; and

WHEREAS, every adult has something to offer, and an hour a week can make a big difference in a child's life; a mentor does not have to change his or her life to change a child's; and

WHEREAS, research has shown that children engaged in the one-to-one, professionally supported mentoring programs of Big Brothers Big Sisters are more likely to finish high school and less likely to begin using drugs and alcohol, skip school, or be involved in violence; and

WHEREAS, in Manitowoc, WI there are many young people, especially Little Brothers who want and would benefit from having a mentor; and

WHEREAS, January has been designated as National Mentoring Month, calling on adults across America to get involved with mentoring programs; and

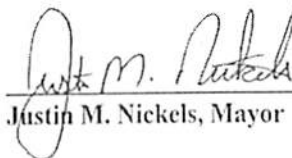
NOW, THEREFORE, I, JUSTIN M. NICKELS, Mayor of the City of Manitowoc, do hereby proclaim **January 2016**, as

## Mentoring Month

in the City of Manitowoc and encourage all citizens, businesses, public and private agencies, religious and educational institutions to support mentoring and give young people in our community the gift of time and friendship through Big Brothers Big Sisters of Manitowoc County.



In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Manitowoc to be affixed. Done at City Hall in the City of Manitowoc this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

  
Justin M. Nickels, Mayor