Proclamation

WHEREAS: 1981 was the Centenary Year of the birth of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk; and
WHEREAS: The founder of modern Turkey, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk was devoted to the service of domestic and international peace, and advocated equal rights for women, social justice, and the recognition of human dignity; and
WHEREAS: Many United States leaders have paid tribute to the stature of Atatürk as a world statesman and inspiring leader, committed to friendship with our country, and UNESCO proclaimed 1981 as Atatürk Year; and
WHEREAS: "Year of Atatürk" -- proves that Atatürk was not only a national leader but an international figure of great renown.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERRY J. MC KANE, Mayor of the City of Lansing do hereby proclaim the day of January 23, 1982 to be known as:

"ATATURK DAY"

and ask all citizens of Lansing to join with me and the members of the Turkish American Association of Michigan in encouraging the practice of the objectives of Atatürk Day all year long.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Lansing this thirteenth day of January in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-two.

[Signature]