

**Proclamation**  
*The week of February 6, 2023*  
*Groundcover News Vendor Appreciation Week*

- WHEREAS, Groundcover News is a "street newspaper" which has been providing quality news and features to the community since April 2010; and*
- WHEREAS, Groundcover, a 501(c)(3), provides opportunities for homeless and low-income individuals to make the transition from homelessness to housed and from jobless to employed; and*
- WHEREAS, Groundcover News is a member of the International Network of Street Papers that believes everyone, everywhere deserves freedom, community, home, dignity, and hope; and*
- WHEREAS, Groundcover News provides training and support for vendors to increase their skills and help to face challenges; and*
- WHEREAS, Groundcover News and vendors provide an invitation to build real relationships in the community; and*
- WHEREAS, stories in Groundcover News have been transformational to vendors as well as community members who read the paper; and*
- WHEREAS, Groundcover News and vendors have added to the quality of life in Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County; and*
- WHEREAS, the week of February 6, 2023, is observed as Groundcover News Vendor Appreciation Week.*

*Now therefore, I, Christopher Taylor, mayor of Ann Arbor, join Groundcover News, staff, volunteers, and all the citizens of our community, in declaring the week of February 6th, 2023, to be Groundcover Vendor Appreciation Week, and I call on all citizens to greet and support Groundcover Vendors.*

*I hereby set my hand and seal  
This 6th day of February 2023*



*Christopher Taylor  
Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor*

