

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since its sign-on January 8, 1940 by the Lackey family, who were pioneers in the radio industry, radio station WHOP has provided continuous service to the residents of Hopkinsville, Christian and surrounding counties; and

WHEREAS, WHOP has been an essential part of this community providing this area with news, sports, weather, information and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the Hopkinsville Rotary Club in 1951, WHOP founded the “Rotary Radio Auction”, and has since broadcast every hour of the auction helping to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for student loans for local youth; and

WHEREAS, under the guidance of the Forcht Group for the past 15 years, continued to be the only commercial station broadcasting from studios in Hopkinsville, Kentucky;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor of the City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and Steve Tribble, Judge Executive of Christian County, Kentucky, do hereby commend the staff, managers and owners of WHOP-AM and FM for their outstanding commitment to their profession and dedication of service to our community and celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of WHOP by declaring today

WHOP DAY

in Hopkinsville and Christian County.

DATED this 8th Day of January 2015.

**Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor
City of Hopkinsville**

**Steve Tribble, Judge/Executive
Christian County**