Whereas, The American Chemical Society, founded in 1876, is a nonprofit scientific and educational organization of professional chemists and chemical engineers, whose membership is over 161,000, making it the largest scientific society in the world; and

Whereas, The American Chemical Society was chartered by Congress in 1937, and is devoted to the advancement of chemical science in the public interest; and

Whereas, October 21-27, 2012 has been designated as National Chemistry Week by the American Chemical Society; and

Whereas, The Nashville Local Section of the American Chemical Society is celebrating this event through visits to classrooms, senior citizens centers, malls, and other outreach venues to spread awareness of chemistry's vital role in everyday life and in the nation's economy and to promote the importance of STEM education.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, Karl F. Dean, Mayor of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, do hereby join the Nashville Local Section of the American Chemical Society in recognizing October 21-27, 2012 as the 25th Anniversary of National Chemistry Week.

I have hereunto set my hand on this 21st day of October, 2012.

Karl F. Dean
Mayor