



**CITY OF ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL AUCTIONEERS DAY**

April 20, 2013

WHEREAS, auctioneering is one of history's oldest professions, and

WHEREAS, auctions are the last bastion of the competitive free enterprise system, and

WHEREAS, auctions continue to be the most effective means of establishing fair market value. No more. No less, and

WHEREAS, the auction industry today contributes approximately a quarter-trillion dollars in sales each year to the United States economy, and

WHEREAS, auctioneers create a competitive marketplace and connect buyers with sellers wishing to sell their assets for the highest dollar value, and

WHEREAS, the National Auctioneers Association and its members strive to advance the auction method of marketing and uphold the highest standards of professionalism in serving the American public, and

WHEREAS, Auctioneers are proud business owners who support their communities, and

WHEREAS, a National Auctioneers Day has been observed for more than 20 years by State and local governments and private organizations, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **Mayor Chet Olson and the Rochelle City Council** do hereby proclaim **Saturday April 20, 2013** as "**National Auctioneers Day**" and call upon the community to heighten their awareness of the contributions made by auctions and auctioneers to the history of our Nation and its economy.

Chet Olson, Mayor

Attest: _____

***Bruce W. McKinney, CMC
City Clerk***

