



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

April 16, 2011

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

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

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

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

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

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;

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **Mayor Chet Olson and the Rochelle City Council** do hereby proclaim **Saturday April 16, 2011** 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***

