## **PROGLAMATION**

Whereas designing and producing cachets for first day covers is an important part of this philatelic specialty; and

Whereas first day covers are an important part of philately in general; and

**Whereas** nearly all first day cover collectors try their hand at making cachets at one time or another; and

**Whereas** making cachets allows stamp collectors a great degree of participation and an outlet for their creativity; and

**Whereas** cachetmaking is the only part of philately where you can "make your own" collectible and not be arrested; and

**Whereas** cachetmaking adds to the U.S. Postal Service's profitability by using large numbers of stamps that will never carry mail;

**Therefore,** on behalf of the American First Day Cover Society, and by the power invested in me (at a very low rate of interest), I declare Saturday, the 17th day of August, 2024, as

## National Gacketmakers Day

Lloyd A. de Vries, President American First Day Cover Society