



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, biomaterials science and engineering play an important role in advancing human health through medical devices, diagnostics, therapeutics, implants, and other technologies that improve and save lives; and

WHEREAS, Salt Lake City is home to a nationally recognized life sciences and health care innovation community, supported by researchers, clinicians, entrepreneurs, and companies working to advance medical technology and improve patient care; and

WHEREAS, the University of Utah and its Department of Biomedical Engineering have contributed for decades to biomedical research, education, medical device innovation, and collaboration between academia, health care, and industry; and

WHEREAS, the Surfaces in Biomaterials Foundation brings together scientists, engineers, clinicians, students, entrepreneurs, and industry leaders to advance the understanding of biomaterials and biointerfaces and translate scientific discoveries into technologies that benefit patients; and

WHEREAS, the University of Utah Department of Biomedical Engineering is hosting the 2026 BioInterface Workshop & Symposium in Salt Lake City from October 6–8, convening leaders from academia, health care, and the medical device and biotechnology industries to exchange knowledge and advance innovation at the intersection of materials and medicine.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Erin Mendenhall, Mayor of Salt Lake City, do hereby proclaim October 6, 2026, as

Biomaterials Day in Salt Lake City

AND recognize the researchers, students, clinicians, entrepreneurs, and industry professionals whose work in biomaterials and medical technology advances human health and contributes to the vitality of our community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erin Mendenhall".

Erin Mendenhall, Mayor