



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army was founded in London, England in 1865 by William Booth, a renowned evangelical minister;

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army is known throughout the world for its religious and humanitarian efforts. It is one of the largest charitable and service organizations in the world that provides aid to those in need;

WHEREAS, each year nearly 30 million Americans receive assistance from The Salvation Army;

WHEREAS, The Salvation Army provides food for the hungry, relief for disaster victims, assistance for the disabled, outreach to the elderly and ill, clothing and shelter to the homeless, opportunities for underprivileged children, early childhood learning centers, and camping programs for youth, seniors and veterans and much more;

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Campaign is a time-honored holiday tradition and its bell ringers always signal the beginning of the local Christmas season;

WHEREAS, the Salvation Army distributes hundreds of toys, coats and food baskets each year, making the holidays warmer and brighter for needy families;

WHEREAS, by providing these community services and offering care and compassion for everyone who enters its doors, the Salvation Army has become a vital and well respected part of the City of Greenville community; and

WHEREAS, this year, The Salvation Army is celebrating its 58th Annual National Salvation Army Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 16-20, 2011 as

THE SALVATION ARMY WEEK

in Greenville.

This 13th day of May, 2011.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor