



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was created in 1974 when President Richard Nixon signed an executive order to establish the week as an annual celebration of volunteering;

WHEREAS, community volunteers are a valuable resource to the City of Greenville;

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week is an opportunity to recognize all those ordinary people who accomplish extraordinary things through volunteer service, citizens who serve on boards and commissions, and all volunteers who devote hours of service to organizations that support our neighborhoods, families, youth, elderly, disabled, homeless and others;

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week reflects the power that volunteers have to "inspire by example" – volunteers both encourage those they help and motivate others to serve;

WHEREAS, the National Volunteer Week theme, "*Celebrating People in Action*", truly captures the meaning behind this signature week — honoring the individuals who dedicate themselves to taking action and solving problems in their communities; and

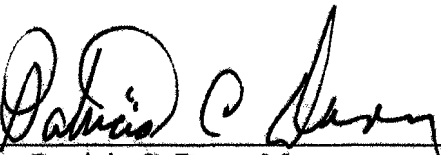
WHEREAS, this year's National Volunteer Week is special in that it commemorates the one-year anniversary of the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, the largest expansion of volunteer service since the 1930s.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of April 18-24, 2010 as

VOLUNTEER WEEK

in Greenville and call upon the citizens of this City to join me in thanking our most valuable assets – volunteers and recognizing the numerous ways they enhance our quality of life and improve our communities.

This 16th day of April, 2010.



Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor