

WHEREAS, Koinonia Christian Center Church has been an invaluable member of the City of Greenville and serves its membership, our community and the Eastern region of North Carolina on multiple levels and supports various causes affecting the community;

WHEREAS, Bishop Rosie S. O'neal and the Koinonia Christian Center Church will host a 5k (3.1 mile) road race and 1 mile fun Walk for Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) Relief on June 6, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. at the Greenville Hilton;

WHEREAS, AIDS is a disease caused by HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus). By killing or damaging cells of the body's immune system, HIV progressively destroys the body's ability to fight infections and certain cancers. Over one million Americans are living with HIV/AIDS today. Worldwide, the figure is over 33 million. Effective HIV care-including antiretroviral drug therapies and regular access to primary health care-can help people manage their HIV disease and live longer;

*WHEREAS,* this event will show support to local AIDS associations; while partnering with community physicians, businesses and organizations to provide education and awareness of HIV and AIDS to the community; and

**WHEREAS,** the Walk for Aids Relief will also provide financial support to Greenville's Philadelphia House, Pitt County AIDS Service Organization (PICASO), and Koinonia Christian Center Church's World Mission;

*NOW, THEREFORE,* I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 6, 2009 as

## KOINONIA CHRISTIAN CENTER CHURCH'S WALK FOR AIDS RELIEF DAY

in Greenville and encourage all citizens to support this worthy and important cause.

This 6th day of June, 2009.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor