



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, November 13-15, 2009 has been designated as National Donor Sabbath, an annual observance intended to raise awareness through faith communities of the life-saving and enhancing gifts passed to others through organ, tissue, marrow and blood donation;

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 people in the United States are currently awaiting organ transplant surgery, and approximately 18 people die each day because organs do not become available;

WHEREAS, organ and tissue donors truly bestow the "gift of life", as one donor can save or enhance the lives of as many as 50 people; and

WHEREAS, faith communities participate in services and programs to bring greater awareness and education about the critical need for organ and tissue donations in order to increase the number of names on the donor registry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 13-15, 2009 as

DONOR SABBATH

in Greenville and ask citizens to consider registering with the State's donor registry, and to share this decision with family and friends.

This 21st day of October, 2009

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor