



Office of the Mayor  
City of Greenville

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Astronomy Day is a grassroots movement, observed since 1973, to share the joy of astronomy with the general population; and

**WHEREAS**, on Astronomy Day, thousands of people nationwide and internationally who have never looked through a telescope will have an opportunity to see first hand what has so many amateur and professional astronomers enthralled; and

**WHEREAS**, astronomy clubs, science museums, observatories, universities, planetariums, and nature centers host special events and activities to acquaint visitors with local astronomical resources and facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, Astronomy Day activities help to highlight ways the general public can become involved with astronomy and get many of their questions about the universe answered; and

**WHEREAS**, Astronomy Day has traditionally been held between mid-April and mid-May on a Saturday near or before the 1st quarter Moon; and

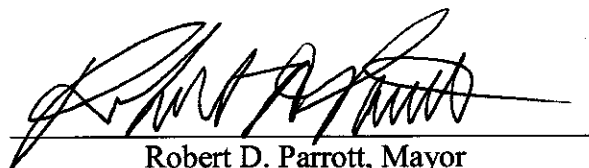
**WHEREAS**, members of Carolina Skies Astronomy Club, representing astronomy enthusiasts from eastern North Carolina, plan to host Astronomy Day activities free of charge for the public on April 21, 2007, on the Town Commons near the sundial;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert D. Parrott, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 21, 2007 as

## ASTRONOMY DAY

and encourage citizens to develop a greater understanding of astronomy and observable objects in our solar system, our Milky Way galaxy, and beyond.

This 20th day of March, 2007.



Robert D. Parrott, Mayor