



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, veterans in North Carolina represent a strong and productive part of the state's work force; and

WHEREAS, traditionally, many veterans released from service begin their civilian careers here in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, last year 70,111 veterans received some type of direct service and 25,352 veterans were placed in a job through the efforts of a local Employment Security Commission Office; and

WHEREAS, because these brave men and women have served with honor, they deserve the right and the opportunity to pursue quality employment at a competitive wage; and

WHEREAS, for more than 200 years, our communities and our state have been built with the help of veterans who served their country during peace and war to keep our democracy safe; and

WHEREAS, these courageous men and women have served with honor to give our citizens a sense of pride; and

WHEREAS, as employers and co-workers it is not only appropriate, but also in our public and economic interest, to take advantage of this tremendous resource by providing employment opportunities to our veterans already in the work force and to the number of veterans who are leaving the military; and

WHEREAS, veterans have valuable skills, learned both in military and civilian life; and

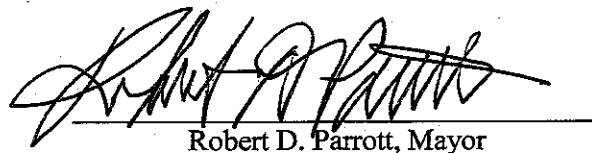
WHEREAS, they deserve the chance to put those skills to work here at home;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert D. Parrott, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of November 11-17, 2007 as

EMPLOY A VET WEEK

in Greenville and commend this observance to all citizens and urge the employment of veterans by City of Greenville businesses.

This 7th day of November, 2007.



Robert D. Parrott, Mayor