

WHEREAS, July 26, 2013, will mark the 23rd Anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) into law;

WHEREAS, this legislation has had a positive impact on individuals with disabilities throughout our country but even more important is the impact it has had on residents of Greenville and Pitt County;

WHEREAS, the Support Team for Active Recreation (STAR) is a self-help support group that promotes independence through social and adapted recreational activities and community outreach education;

WHEREAS, the Disability Advocates and Resource Center (DARC) is a non-profit organization which empowers people with disabilities to achieve their desired level of independence;

WHEREAS, STAR and DARC have worked collaboratively with the City of Greenville Recreation and Parks Department to celebrate the anniversary of this law since it was enacted; and

WHEREAS, with support from the Greenville Recreation & Parks Department, STAR, and DARC, an annual celebration of Sunday in the Park at the Greenville Town Common will be held Sunday, July 21, 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Allen M. Thomas, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim July 26, 2013, to be

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES 23RD ANNIVERSARY DAY

in Greenville and encourage all citizens to support and participate in Sunday in the Park and/or other activities to commemorate the anniversary of this important date.

This 18th day of July, 2013.

Allen M. Thomas, Mayor