



Proclamation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

WHEREAS, Roman Harper, son of Ronald and Princess Harper, is a life long resident of Prattville, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, as a youngster, Roman started his career on the fields of the Prattville Parks and Recreation Department, playing for the Bears. He played football at Prattville Junior High for Coach Tony Page, and he played four years at Prattville High School for Coach Tommy Lucas. He played defensive back for both schools. In 1999 Coach Bill Clark gave Roman the opportunity to become the Lions quarterback, as well as his full-time defensive back; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation, Roman was blessed with many offers to play college level football. He chose the University of Alabama, where he was a four-year letterman and had an outstanding career. He is the only player from Autauga County to have the great Daniel Moore, sport art artist, to portray him in the print "Rocky Stop" for one of his achievements; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, Roman was drafted in the second round of the NFL Draft by the New Orleans Saints. After five weeks into his rookie season, he received a knee injury that would put him out the rest of the season. Roman recovered from his injury and returned as a starter in the 2007 season starting all 16 games. He had a career-high of four sacks, and the only three interceptions of his four seasons; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Roman started all 15 games posting a career-high 106 tackles, nine pass defenses, and a forced fumble. 2009 was another great year for Roman as he ranked second on the Saints regular season with 127 stops (87 solo), 1.5 sacks, seven pass defenses and two forced fumbles. For his career he has 319 tackles, six sacks, three interceptions, 21 pass defenses and six forced fumbles; and

WHEREAS, Roman's 2010 year has come in like a bang! He played in the NFC Championship against Minnesota, recording five tackles (four solo), and one forced fumble. In the 2010 Super Bowl between the Saints and the Colts, Roman made the first three tackles. He played a big role in the win of the Super Bowl Championship as he was the second-leading tackler on the team from his safety position.

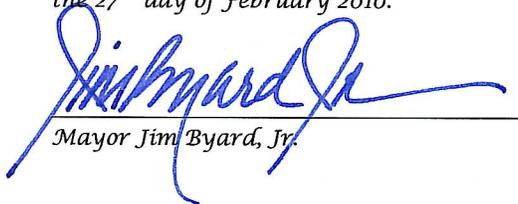
NOW THEREFORE, I, Jim Byard, Jr., Mayor of the City of Prattville, Alabama, do hereby proclaim Saturday, February 27, 2010, as

ROMAN HARPER DAY

in Prattville, Alabama, in recognition of his excellent example of hard work, his deep commitment to his sport, and for the positive recognition and honor he has brought to Prattville, Autauga County, and the State of Alabama as a Super Bowl Champion.



Given Under My Hand and the
Seal of the City of Prattville on
the 27th day of February 2010.


Mayor Jim Byard, Jr.