



# Proclamation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

*WHEREAS, BE THE FEET OF CHANGE Community Service Day is a campaign that celebrates and mobilizes Prattville's children and their families to improve their communities each day of the year through community service and service learning, and the city of Prattville depends on our children as vital community assets; and*

*WHEREAS, BE THE FEET OF CHANGE Community Service Day, is a day set aside for Prattville's families, led by the character and imagination of their children, to devote the day to performing one act of volunteerism or community service in their community.*

*WHEREAS, Miss Troy University 2015 Hannah McDonald created and established Alabama BE THE FEET OF CHANGE Community Service Day to be held on May 2, 2015 and the first Saturday of May each year to encourage Alabama's children with the motto "No Matter what Shoe you Wear, Be the Feet of Change".*

*WHEREAS, the first Saturday of May was selected as Alabama BE THE FEET OF CHANGE Community Service Day to acknowledge the various volunteer services and community service projects available to Alabama's children and their families during the summer school break.*

*WHEREAS, Miss Troy University 2015 Hannah McDonald, her rising star Mylee Mae Kervin, and many of Prattville's children are planning to perform various acts of volunteerism and community service not only on May 2, 2015 but through the summer school break.*

*WHEREAS, high quality community service and service-learning programs increase Alabama children's academic engagement and achievement, workforce readiness and 21st century skills, social, emotional, and behavioral skills, and civic knowledge and engagement; and*

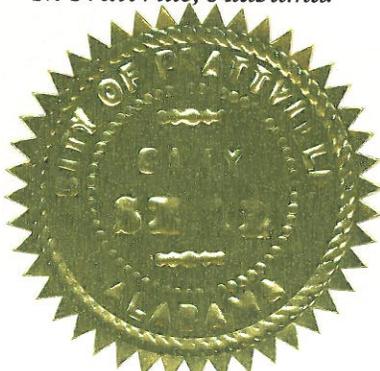
*WHEREAS, community service and service-learning provides opportunities for children to apply their knowledge, idealism, energy, creativity and unique perspectives to improve their communities by addressing a myriad of critical issues, such as health, education, illiteracy, poverty, hunger, environment, climate change, violence, community beautification, senior and youth connection, and natural disasters; and*

*WHEREAS, BE THE FEET OF CHANGE Community Service Day provides an opportunity for young children, teenagers, young adults and families to position themselves as assets and resources, active citizens and community leaders; and for schools, community organizations, faith-based organizations, government agencies, businesses and families to engage youth as leaders and problem solvers.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Gillespie, Jr., Mayor of the City of Prattville do hereby proclaim May 2, 2015 as*

## **BE THE FEET OF CHANGE COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY**

*In Prattville, Alabama.*



Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the City  
of Prattville on the 23rd day of April 2015.

*Bill Gillespie Jr.*

Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.