

Office of the Mayor
City of Fayetteville
Proclamation



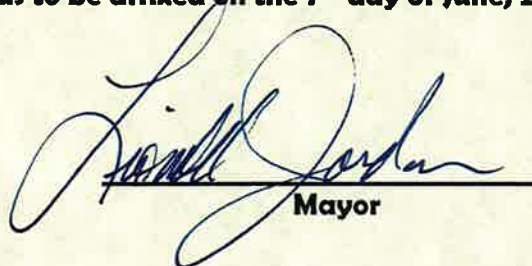
- WHEREAS:** heart disease affects men, women, and children of every age and race in the United States and it continues to be the leading cause of death in America, and
- WHEREAS:** approximately 356,500 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur annually nationwide and about nine out of 10 of these victims will not survive. Only about 40 percent of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest victims receive bystander cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and
- WHEREAS:** prompt delivery of CPR can double or triple the victim's chance of survival by helping to maintain vital blood flow to the heart and brain, increasing the amount of time in which an electric shock from a defibrillator may be effective, and
- WHEREAS:** an automated external defibrillator (AED), even when used by a bystander, is safe, easy to operate and, if used immediately after the onset of sudden cardiac arrest, highly effective in restarting the heart, and
- WHEREAS:** for every minute without CPR, survival from witnessed cardiac arrest decreases 7-10 percent. The time between the initial 9-1-1 call and the arrival of EMS personnel may be longer than five minutes; therefore, a cardiac arrest victim's survival is likely dependent on a bystander trained in CPR who takes action and who has access to a lifesaving AED, and
- WHEREAS:** the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, and the National Safety Council are preparing a public awareness and training campaign to educate communities about lifesaving CPR and AED use, to be held during the first week of June,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim the week of June 1 – 7, 2016 as

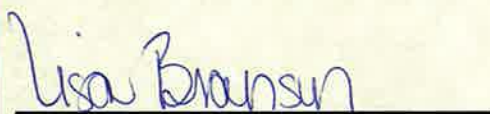
“NATIONAL CPR AND AED AWARENESS WEEK”

in Fayetteville, Arkansas and encourage all our citizens to become properly trained in CPR and AED usage. Together, we can save more lives in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 7th day of June, 2016.


Mayor

Attest:


Deputy City Clerk

