

Office of the Mayor
City of Fayetteville
Proclamation



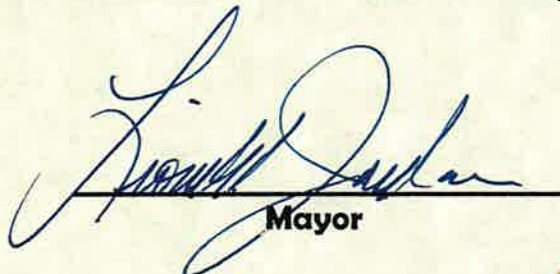
- WHEREAS:** academic studies prove that if children read 1 million words per year, 1000 words will be added to their vocabulary, and
- WHEREAS:** kids read more when they're having fun, when they see others reading, and when they can choose their own reading material, and
- WHEREAS:** reading as a leisure activity has a great impact on vocabulary and reading speed, and
- WHEREAS:** Summer Reading Programs play a major role in motivating children to read and in fostering literacy skills for all children and adults, and
- WHEREAS:** parents of children participating in Summer Reading Programs increase the time they spend reading with or to their children, and
- WHEREAS:** teachers have noticed that Summer Reading participants perform at or above grade level in word recognition, reading vocabulary, and reading comprehension,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim Saturday, June 4, 2016 as

"KICKOFF DAY FOR THE BEST SUMMER READING PROGRAM"

in Fayetteville, Arkansas and urge all children and adults to take advantage of this city's superior Summer Reading Program at the Fayetteville Public Library. Keep a stack of books on hand, kick back and enjoy your summer of stories, reading with each other and for each other.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 4th day of June, 2016.



Mayor

Attest:



Deputy City Clerk

