

# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, service to others is a hallmark of American character and central to how we meet our challenges; and

**WHEREAS**, the nation's mayors are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet city needs; and

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and counties, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities to those who serve; and

**WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 60,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve through direct service and by recruiting and managing millions of additional volunteers; and

**WHEREAS**, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, national service participants demonstrate dedication and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

**WHEREAS**, sharing a priority nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities, the Corporation for National and Community Service is joining with the National League of Cities, City of Service, and mayors across the country to recognize the impact of service on the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that **WE, CARTER M. HENDRICKS, MAYOR OF HOPKINSVILLE**, and **STEVE TRIBBLE, CHRISTIAN COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE**, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2016, as National Service Recognition Day and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our city and county, to thank those who serve, and to find ways to give back to their communities.

DATED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016.

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Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor  
City of Hopkinsville

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Steve Tribble, Judge/Executive  
Christian County Kentucky