

# *PROCLAMATION*

- WHEREAS,** May 20, 2017 is the seventh Kids to Parks Day organized and launched by the National Park Trust; and
- WHEREAS,** Kids to Parks Day empowers kids and encourages families to get outdoors and visit America's parks; and
- WHEREAS,** it is important to introduce a new generation to our nation's parks because of the decline in park attendance over the last decades; and
- WHEREAS,** we should encourage children to lead more active lifestyles to combat the issues of childhood obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension, and hypercholesterolemia; and
- WHEREAS,** Kids to Parks Day is open to all children and adults across the country to encourage a large and diverse group of participants; and
- WHEREAS,** Kids to Parks Day will broaden children's appreciation for nature and the outdoors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Carter M. Hendricks do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 20, 2017 as**

## *Kids to Park Day*

**in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and urge residents to make time to take the children in their lives to a neighborhood, state, or national park.**

**DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017.**

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**Carter M. Hendricks, Mayor  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky**