

Office of the Mayor
City of Fayetteville
Proclamation

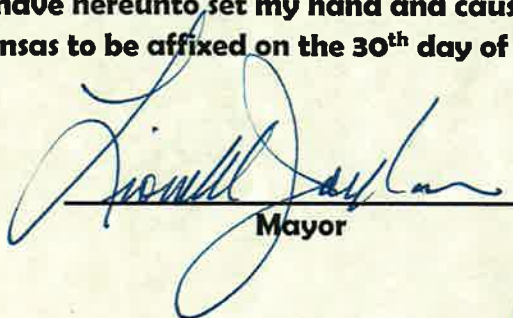


- WHEREAS:** the Fayetteville Public Library opened on June 15, 1916 in the basement of the old Washington County Courthouse with a budget of \$840.15 and a circulation in the first year of 6,995, and
- WHEREAS:** the Roberta Fulbright Library opened on June 3, 1962, named after Senator William J. Fulbright's mother who was a tireless library supporter, and
- WHEREAS:** the Blair Library, named in honor of donor Jim Blair's wife, Diane Divers Blair, his grandmother and his aunt, opened on October 8, 2004, and
- WHEREAS:** in 2005 the Fayetteville Public Library was named *Library of the Year* for outstanding service to the community by the Library Journal and Thompson/Gale Publishers, and
- WHEREAS:** with the opening of Blair Library, community use of library services greatly increased, with circulation growing from 484,172 in 2001 to 830,693 in 2005, and
- WHEREAS:** the Blair Library was the first building in Arkansas to be registered with the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification program, and
- WHEREAS:** after 100 years, the Fayetteville Public Library continues to explore new services, continues to grow to meet the needs of the community and continues to ensure that all services and events are free and open to the public, just as they were in 1916,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim July 30, 2016 as

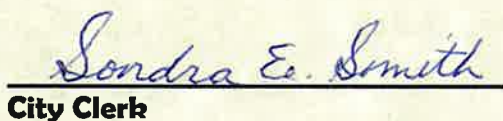
***"FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
100th ANNIVERSARY DAY"***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 30th day of July, 2016.



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk

