Office of the Mayor City of Fayetteville Proclamation



WHEREAS:

Art Feeds was conceived in 2009 by then 19 year-old Meg Bourne-Hulsey when an undernourished, neglected and underachieving 6 year-old boy attracted her attention and compassion - and she began to seek out ways to help him find a medium by which he could learn and grow and

reach his potential, and

WHEREAS:

bringing water colors and the freedom to create into his world gradually changed his own vision of himself and Meg began to understand the value and power in art for children, and

WHEREAS:

Art Feeds became a reality because Meg saw that art was feeding this young boy's heart and soul and helping him to see himself in a different light, and

WHEREAS:

Art Feeds believes that children are our most valuable resource and by partnering with schools and children's organizations, they are providing expressive and creative arts programs to as many children as possible, and

WHEREAS:

since 2009, Art Feeds has grown well past one young woman's dreams and has now reached over 31.500 students across the nation and around the world, and

WHEREAS:

Art Feeds has proven over and over that every child has something to give and that providing the opportunity for creativity and expression can reach our children when all other avenues have failed,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim Thursday, September 8, 2016 as

"ART FEEDS DAY"

in Fayetteville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 8th day of September, 2016.

Attest:

Sondra E. Smith City Clerk