

Office of the Mayor
City of Fayetteville
Proclamation



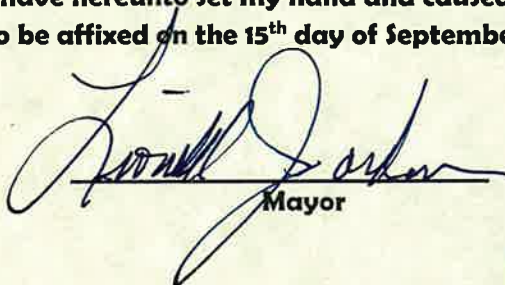
- WHEREAS:** the infrastructure that brings water to and from homes and businesses is essential to the quality of life and economic vitality of the city of Fayetteville, and
- WHEREAS:** our water system in Fayetteville serves over 82,000 people who utilize an average of 200 gallons of water per person, per day, and
- WHEREAS:** changes in weather patterns are causing epic drought and widespread flooding in regions throughout the United States, putting pressure on water systems that are ill-equipped and ill-prepared to manage such extreme events, and
- WHEREAS:** utilities nationwide are grappling with aging infrastructure and lack of reliable revenue and funding to maintain, let alone upgrade, their systems, and
- WHEREAS:** one-fifth of the U.S. economy would grind to a halt without a reliable and clean source of water, and
- WHEREAS:** managing water responsibly is critical to our nation's environmental health, and investing in our drinking water and wastewater systems will secure a bright and prosperous future for generations to come, and
- WHEREAS:** for every one job created in the water sector, another 3.68 jobs are added in the national economy and for every \$1 spent on infrastructure improvements, the U.S. generates \$6 in returns, and
- WHEREAS:** every region faces different water challenges so the solutions to strengthen our drinking water and wastewater systems must be locally driven, however reinvestment in our water must be a national priority, and
- WHEREAS:** the City of Fayetteville is dedicated to investing in water and wastewater infrastructure but will need help and funding from our federal partners,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim September 15, 2016 as

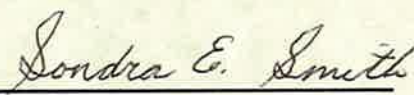
"IMAGINE A DAY WITHOUT WATER"

in Fayetteville, Arkansas and encourage all citizens to recognize that water is essential to the quality of life and economic competitiveness of our City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 15th day of September, 2016.


Mayor

Attest:


City Clerk

