

Office of the Mayor  
City of Fayetteville  
**Proclamation**



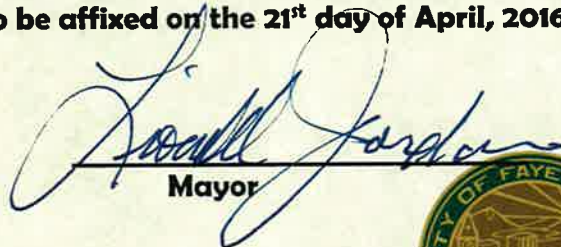
- WHEREAS:** organ and tissue donation are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need, and
- WHEREAS:** more than 123,000 individuals nationwide and more than 300 in Arkansas are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and 21 people, nationally, will die every day while waiting due to the shortage of donated organs, and
- WHEREAS:** the need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic and African American communities, and
- WHEREAS:** a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of up to 100 others, and
- WHEREAS:** millions of lives each year are saved and healed by donors of organs and tissues, and
- WHEREAS:** the spirit of giving and decision to donate are not restricted by age or medical condition, and
- WHEREAS:** nearly 1.2 million Arkansans have signed up with the state-authorized Arkansas Donor Registry to ensure their wishes to be organ and tissue donors are honored, and
- WHEREAS:** Arkansas residents can sign up with the Donate Life Arkansas Registry when applying for or renewing their driver's license or I.D. card at the Arkansas Department of Motor Vehicles,

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim the month of April, 2016 as**


**"DONATE LIFE MONTH"**

in Fayetteville, Arkansas and in doing so we encourage all Arkansans to check "YES!" when applying for or renewing their driver's license or I.D. card or by signing up at [www.donatelifearkansas.org](http://www.donatelifearkansas.org).

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2016**

  
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Mayor

**Attest:**

  
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City Clerk

