Tity of Ionesboro Proclamation By The Mayor

TO THE PEOPLE OF JONESBORO, GREETINGS

WHEREAS, ROTARY CLUBS AROUNG THE WORLD WERE CHARGED BY ROTARY INTERNATINAL TO CONSTRUCT A PROJECT OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE FOR THEIR COMMUNITIES TO CELEBRATE THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.

WHEREAS, THE JONESBORO ROTARY CLUB, UNIVERSITY ROTARY CLUB AND METRO ROTARY CLUB HAD A VISION OF CREATING A SPECIAL PLAYGROUND WHERE DISABLED YOUTH AND DISABLED ADULTS COULD PLAY WITH ABLE BODIED CHILDREN.

WHEREAS, THE ROTARY CLUBS OF JONESBORO FULFILLED THEIR VISION BY RAISING NEARLY \$750,000 AND CRETING ROTARY CENTENNIAL PARK AT CRAIGHEAD FOREST PARK.

WHEREAS, HUNDREDS OF JONESBORO COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND BUSINESSES DONATED MONEY, TIME AND MATERIALS TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROTARY CENTENNIAL PARK.

WHEREAS, ROTARY CENTENNIAL PARK HAS BECOME A PUBLIC PLAYGROUND WHICH IS APPRECIATED BY ALL OF NORTHEAST ARKANSAS AND MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE DISABLED LIKE NO OTHER PUBLIC PLAYGROUND IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, FOR THEIR VISION, FORSIGHT AND SYNERGY THE ROTARY CLUBS OF JONESBORO WERE AWARDED THE NATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD BY THE NATIONAL RECREATION AND PARKS ASSOCIATION. THE NATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AWARD IS PARKS AND RECREATION'S HIGHEST HONOR FOR AN ORGANIZATION.

NOW, THEREFOR, I, DOUG FORMON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS DO HEREBY THANK THE JONESBORO ROTARY CLUB, THE JONESBORO UNIVERSITY ROTARY CLUB, THE JONESBORO METRO ROTARY CLUB, AND THE MANY INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES WHO CAME TOGETHER TO MAKE ROTARY CENTENNIAL PARK A POSSIBILITY AND I FURTHER PROCLAIM THE ROTARY CLUBS OF JONESBORO HAVE FULFILED THEIR CHARGE BY ROTARY INTERNATIONAL AND CREATED A PLAYGROUND OF SIGNIFICANCE TO OUR COMMUNITY, OUR STATE AND OUR NATION.

Doug Formon, Mayor