CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION HONORING NATIONAL SERVICE

- WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and,
- WHEREAS, the nation's cities are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a costeffective strategy to meet their needs; and,
- WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and,
- WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and,
- WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 50,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and,
- WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they service, both through their direct service and by managing millions of additional volunteers; and,
- WHEREAS, national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and
- WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with local leaders nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, Cities of Service, and mayors across the country to recognize the impact of service on the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service on April 3, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Lucas Herring, Mayor of Barre, Vermont, do hereby proclaim April 3, 2018, as National Service Recognition Day and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our city; to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.



Lucas J. Herring, Mayor