CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION National Kids to Parks Day – Saturday, May 20, 2017

Whereas, May 20, 2017 is the seventh National Kids to Park Day organized and launched by the National Park Trust; and

Whereas, National Kids to Park Day empowers kids and encourages families to get outdoors and visit America's parks; and

Whereas, it is important to introduce a new generation to our nation's parks because of the decline in Park attendance over the last decades; and

Whereas, we should encourage children to lead a more active lifestyle to combat the issues of childhood obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension and hypercholesterolemia; and

Whereas, National Kids to Parks Day is open to all children and adults across the country to encourage a large and diverse group of participants; and

Whereas, National Kids to Parks Day will broaden children's appreciation for nature and the outdoors;

Therefore, I, Craig Thurmond, Mayor of Broken Arrow do hereby recognize May 20, 2017 as NATIONAL KIDS TO PARKS DAY and urge residents of Broken Arrow to make time May 20, 2017 to take the children in their lives to a neighborhood, state or nation park

Craig Thurmond, Mayor City of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma Date