



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 22, 2014

Council Session - Corrected

Item C-1

Proclamation Nebraska State Fair 1868 Foundation “Blue Ribbon Roll Out Week” August 3 - 9, 2014

The Nebraska State Fair started in 1868. Beginning in 2010, the Nebraska State Fair has been held at Fonner Park in Grand Island. The Nebraska State Fair 1868 Foundation, a non-profit organization is led by Executive Director Lindsey Koepke and a nine member Board of Directors. Its purpose is to compliment the State Fair with private fundraising efforts which provide amenities the State Fair would otherwise not provide. The 1868 Foundation will be celebrating the tenth annual "Blue Ribbon Roll Out" on Saturday, August 9, 2014. The Mayor has proclaimed the week of August 3, 2014 as "Blue Ribbon Roll Out Week". See attached PROCLAMATION.

Staff Contact: Mayor Jay Vavricek

THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Grand Island
State of Nebraska

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1868, the Nebraska State Fair became an annual statewide celebration of agriculture, education and a showcase of the talents found in Nebraskans both young and old; and

WHEREAS, Nebraskans will celebrate the 145th annual Nebraska State Fair at its home in Grand Island August 22, 2014 through September 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska State Fair 1868 Foundation is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization under the leadership of Executive Director Lindsey Koepke and a nine member Board of Directors whose purpose is to raise private funds for the Nebraska State Fair; and

WHEREAS, last year, the Nebraska State Fair 1868 Foundation raised over \$200,000 to air condition the Fonner Park Concourse; and

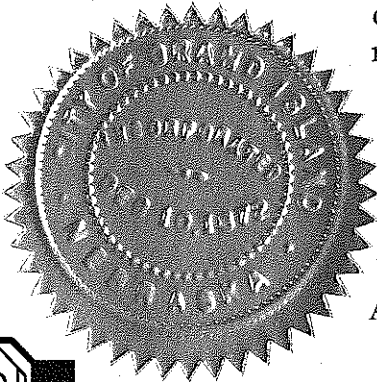
WHEREAS, the Nebraska State Fair 1868 Foundation will be celebrating the tenth annual Blue Ribbon Roll Out on Saturday, August 9, 2014 to preview the offerings of this year's State Fair and thank hundreds of yellow clad volunteers and contributors to further fundraising support to benefit the Nebraska State Fair.

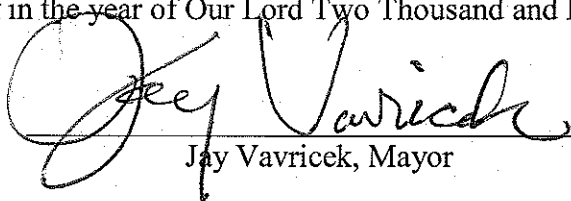
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Vavricek, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim the week of August 3, 2014 as

"Blue Ribbon Roll Out Week"

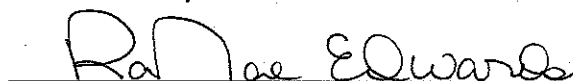
in the City of Grand Island, and encourage all citizens to join in the celebration where anyone can attend the Blue Ribbon Roll Out to enjoy a taste of what the fair is all about while helping to strengthen efforts for the Nebraska State Fair.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto proudly set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this twenty-second day of the month of July in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Fourteen.




Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:


RaNae Edwards, City Clerk