

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, October 11, 2005 Council Session

Item C5

Proclamation ''Grand Island Young Reader's Day'' November 8, 2005

National Young Readers Day was created in 1989 to facilitate a greater love in reading in our young people by bringing in local celebrities to the classrooms to read to students. The event is held annually on the 2nd Tuesday of November. The Mayor has proclaimed Tuesday, November 8, 2005 as ''Grand Island Young Reader's Day'' and encourages all students, parents, and school personnel to read daily to kids and salute those future young leaders of Grand Island and those who are helping to educate and groom those future leaders. See attached PROCLAMATION.

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THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR City of Grand Island

State of Nebraska

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, National Young Readers Day was created in 1989 by the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress and Pizza Hut to celebrate the joy of reading and is held annually the 2nd Tuesday of November; and

- WHEREAS, Staab Management Company (Pizza Hut) and the Grand Island Independent developed a partnership to put on a local celebration in 2004 to celebrate reading in our schools coinciding with National Young Readers Day with 146 classrooms participating in the Grand Island area; and
- WHEREAS, Pizza Hut celebrates reading by nationally sponsoring the BookIt! Program and the Independent sponsors schools in the "Newspapers in Education" program; and
- WHEREAS, the National Young Reader's Day seeks to facilitate a greater love in reading in our young people by bringing in local celebrities to the classrooms on November 8, 2005 to read to the students; and
- WHEREAS, all schools having at least 10 celebrity readers come to their classrooms to read on the 8th will be eligible to win \$1,000 for their respective school's library or to purchase other educational resources sponsored through Pizza Hut; and
- WHEREAS, all classrooms that participate will also be entered into a drawing for a free pizza party to celebrate their reading achievement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Vavricek, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, November 8, 2005 as

"GRAND ISLAND YOUNG READER'S DAY"

in the City of Grand Island, and encourage all students, parents, and school personnel to read daily to kids and salute those future young leaders of Grand Island and those who are helping to educate and groom those future leaders. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this eleventh day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Five.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

