



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 08, 2003
Special Mtg/Council Session

Item C1

Proclamation "Push America Day" July 14, 2003

"Push America" was founded with the intention of providing service and education to promote a greater understanding of persons with disabilities. The Journey of Hope Team will be traveling by bicycle from San Francisco to Washington, D.C. to carry their message of acceptance and understanding. The Mayor has proclaimed July 14, 2003 as "Push America Day" and encourages citizens to recognize the accomplishments of the members of the Journey of Hope team who have given of their time, energy, and resources for the creation of greater understanding of Americans with disabilities. See attached PROCLAMATION.

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

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity founded "Push America" with the intention of providing service and education to promote a greater understanding of persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Push America's Journey of Hope Team, consisting of members of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity, is going the extra mile for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Journey of Hope Team began a bicycle trip on June 15, 2003, leaving San Francisco, and plans to arrive in Washington, D.C. on August 15, 2003, traveling over 4,000 miles; and

WHEREAS, the Team will be cycling from city to city carrying their message of acceptance and understanding to the hearts and home of people across the United States; and

WHEREAS, upon the completion of their cross-country journey, the team will have raised more than \$300,000 which will further the cause of Push America.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Vavricek, Mayor of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, do hereby proclaim July 14, 2003 as

"PUSH AMERICA DAY"

in the City of Grand Island, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the accomplishments of the members of the Journey of Hope team who have given so much of their time, energy, and resources for the creation of greater understanding of Americans with disabilities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Grand Island to be affixed this eighth day of July in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Three.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk