



Proclamation

National Service Recognition Day

April 2, 2019

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's elected leaders are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities; they educate students for 21st century jobs, to fighting the opioid epidemic, respond to natural disasters, and support veterans and military families; 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, the Adams/E. Arapahoe Retired and Senior (RSVP) volunteer program sponsored locally by The Senior Hub, Inc. 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, in 2018, 33 members of the Senior Corps RSVP program donated 2,672 hours of service in the Brighton area while another 145 Eagle View Adult Center seniors donated 9,043 hours of service impacting several hundred residents through Meals on Wheels delivery, elementary school tutors and mentors, community gardening, food bank volunteers, helping in hospitals and senior centers and adult day programs, assisting veterans, helping with recycling events, giving talks on disaster preparedness; 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, the National Association of Counties, Cities of Service, and local leaders across the country for National Service Recognition Day April 2, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kenneth J. Kreutzer, Mayor of the City of Brighton, Colorado, on behalf of City Council, do hereby proclaim April 2, 2019 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.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2019

City of Brighton

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