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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
OF STATE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, for over 125 years, YMCAs have strengthened the foundations of communities through extensive programs and services designed to foster youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility; and,

Whereas, each year more than 357,000 Oklahomans of all ages, races, faiths, abilities, benefit directly from the YMCA's programs; and

Whereas, over 117,000 of Oklahoma's young people are actively engaged in after school enrichment programs, early learning childcare, outdoor education at summer day camp and residence camps, youth sports, swim lessons and water safety, and teen leadership; and

Whereas, YMCAs partner with community organizations and the military to improve the lives Oklahomans through programs such as, diabetes prevention, cancer survivor programs and military outreach; and

Whereas, no one is turned away for inability to pay and the Oklahoma Alliance of YMCAs provides over \$3 million in direct financial assistance to people who would not otherwise be able to afford YMCA services; and

Whereas, in excess of 159,000 volunteer hours, valued at more than \$3 million, make the YMCA one of the largest volunteer-led organizations in the state; and

Whereas, each YMCA in Oklahoma is governed by a local volunteer board of directors who generously donate their time, expertise, and resources to strengthen our communities and give everyone the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive:

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor, do hereby proclaim April 1st, 2015, as

"YMCA Day"

in the state of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



ATTEST:

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 31st day of March, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and seventh year.

C. Benz
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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