

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, May 18, 2013 is the third National Kids to Parks Day organized and launched by the National Park Trust; and

WHEREAS, National Kids to Parks Day empowers children and encourages families to get outdoors and visit America's parks; and

WHEREAS, due to the decline in park attendance over the last few decades, it is important to introduce a new generation to our nation's parks; and

WHEREAS, we should encourage children to lead more active lifestyles to combat the issues of childhood obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension and hypercholesterolemia; and

WHEREAS, National Kids to Parks Day is open to all children and adults across the country to encourage a large and diverse group of participants; and

WHEREAS, National Kids to Parks Day will broaden children's appreciation for nature and the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, National Kids to Parks Day is celebrated from May 11 to May 27; and

WHEREAS, Burlington Kids Day, produced by the City of Burlington Parks and Recreation Department, is the state's largest children's festival and is held on May 11, 2013; and

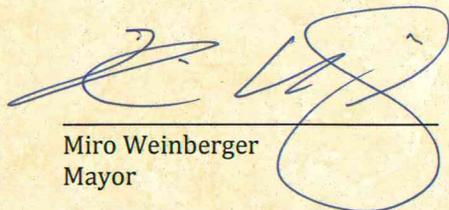
WHEREAS, Burlington Kids Day features initiatives and partnerships with the Burlington School Food Project, New England Dairy & Food Council, School Nutrition Association of Vermont, NorthCountry Federal Credit Union, Hunger Free Vermont and the USDA to promote healthy, ongoing opportunities for children and their families throughout the year involving nutrition and outdoor play, games and athletics; and

WHEREAS, the Burlington Parks and Recreation Department promotes its Playground Nutrition Program and other activities in our parks and facilities;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Miro Weinberger, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby proclaim May 11, 2013 to be

KIDS DAY

in the City of Burlington and be it further resolved that I urge residents of Burlington to join the activities of Kids Day on May 11, 2013 and to make time on National Kids to Parks Day on May 18, 2013 to take the children in their lives to a neighborhood, state, or national park.


Miro Weinberger
Mayor

