

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, ten years ago Jake Agna and Kathy Davis founded the “Kids on the Ball” program helping to teach over 500 youth patience, good sportsmanship, self-respect and more through the game of tennis; and

WHEREAS, four mornings a week during the summer “Kids on the Ball” brings the game of tennis to youth at Burlington’s Roosevelt Park; and

WHEREAS, through “Kids on the Ball” Burlington youth have traveled to New York City to participate in the inspiration of the US Open’s Arthur Ashe Day; and

WHEREAS, the King Street Youth Center has become a nationally recognized NJTL Chapter of the United States Tennis Association through the work and dedication of Jake and Kathy; and

WHEREAS, Jake has been a mentor to countless Burlington youth and adults through his daily bike rides that motivate everyone with high-fives, a warm smile, and a deep belief in the ability to succeed at tennis and life; and

WHEREAS, Jake and “Kids on the Ball” is all about so much more than tennis - teaching patience, fairness, focus and good sportsmanship;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bob Kiss, Mayor of the City of Burlington, do hereby honor and acknowledge

“KIDS ON THE BALL”

in the City of Burlington and encourage all citizen’s to get out and play tennis!



Mayor Bob Kiss

