



ROCK ISLAND  
ILLINOIS

Mayor Mike Thoms

PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** Summer Learning Day is a day to reflect on the importance of keeping youth learning, safe, and healthy every summer, ensuring they return to school in the fall ready to succeed in the year ahead; and

**WHEREAS,** summer learning loss is a significant contributor to the achievement gap – a gap which remains constant during the nine months of the school year, but widens during the summer months; and

**WHEREAS,** summer learning programs are proven to maintain and advance students' academic and social growth, keep children safe and healthy during the summer, and send young people back to school ready to learn; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Rock Island, Rock Island Public Library, Rock Island- Milan School District #41, Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, Doris & Victor Day Foundation and dozens of other non and for-profit partners contribute to the well being of youth through summer programming; and

**WHEREAS,** it is fitting for parents, educators, businesses and other members of the community to join the celebration in an effort to ensure the future success and economic health of our young people and the communities in which they live.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mike Thoms, Mayor of Rock Island, do hereby proclaim official recognition of July 13, 2017 as

**Summer Learning Day**

in the city of Rock Island and do commend this observance to all our citizens.

6/28/17

Date



*Mike Thoms*

Mike Thoms, Mayor