



ROCK ISLAND
ILLINOIS

Mayor Dennis E. Pauley

PROCLAMATION

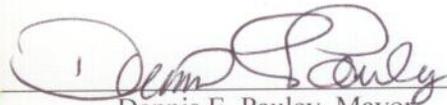
- Whereas:** the cities of Rock Island and Davenport have been cooperative neighbors since the founding of each community in 1835 and 1836 respectively, and;
- Whereas:** there exists a long history of collaboration dating back to the 1850's when the two communities were connected by the first rail road bridge across the Mississippi River, and;
- Whereas:** Arsenal Island, and the military installations located there, have been a significant part of the history of both communities, and;
- Whereas:** we honor the birth of our nation, those who gave all for our great country and those who serve today to protect our shores, and;
- Whereas:** our communities commemorate the Rock Island Arsenal and the Arsenal's importance to our region and nation, and;
- Whereas:** River Vision is a cooperative plan for the redevelopment of the riverfront between the two cities, and;
- Whereas:** Rock Island is celebrating the opening of The Landing at Schwiebert Riverfront Park, a daytime boat docking facility, and Davenport is celebrating the opening of the Ferris wheel at Modern Woodmen Park, in addition to many other improvements in both communities over the past few years, and;
- Whereas:** Red, White and Boom is celebrating its 10th anniversary of cooperation between these two cities.

Now, therefore, I, Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor of the City of Rock Island, along with the City of Davenport, wish to congratulate both of our cities for the improvements to the riverfront and the Rock Island Arsenal for all of their past achievements and innovations and look forward to celebrating future success and do hereby proclaim Thursday, July 3rd, 2014 as

**Red, White and Boom
Military and Arsenal Appreciation Day**

JUNE 12, 2014
Date




Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor