



Mayor Dennis E. Pauley

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** in the year 2011, the Mayors' National Dollar Wi\$e Campaign and the QC Dollar Wi\$e financial literacy coalition have declared September 18th – 24th Dollar Wi\$e Week; and
- WHEREAS,** the United States Conference of Mayors' Council for the New American City recognizes that financial illiteracy is a national problem that needs to be addressed and has established the Mayors' National Dollar Wi\$e Campaign to educate citizens on personal and household finances; and
- WHEREAS,** the United States Congress has established the Financial Literacy and Education Commission to improve Americans' financial literacy through the development of a national strategy for financial education; and
- WHEREAS,** consumer financial education continues to be identified as a major need in the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** education provides the skills necessary to succeed and empowers citizens to take charge of their financial futures to secure their own well-being and that of their families; and
- WHEREAS,** financial education and savings give families financial stability, and teaching children how to save at a young age can help them become financially responsible adults; and
- WHEREAS,** the financial climate continues to be uncertain, with the need to carefully watch credit use, build savings for the future, prepare for emergencies and become more financially aware are all part of the new way of living and working; and
- WHEREAS,** alongside business investors, the most important investors in American cities are families and individuals who choose to buy a home or start their own business within the city; and in order to position themselves as investors, residents must be financially literate and maintain good credit histories.

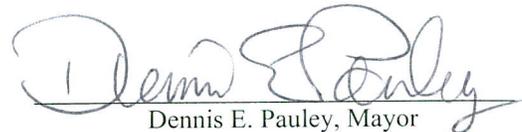
NOW, THEREFORE, I Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor of the City of Rock Island, do hereby proclaim the week of September 18th – 24th, 2011 as

“DOLLAR WISE WEEK”

and urge all citizens in our community and throughout the country to join together in a national movement to help our citizens become more financially literate.

SEPTEMBER 7, 2011
Date




Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor