



ROCK ISLAND  
ILLINOIS

Mayor Dennis E. Pauley

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS,** historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth and sustainable development, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

**WHEREAS,** historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds; and

**WHEREAS,** it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

**WHEREAS,** "Discover America's Hidden Gems" is the theme for National Preservation Month 2012, cosponsored by the Rock Island Preservation Commission, Rock Island Preservation Society, Broadway Historic District Association and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

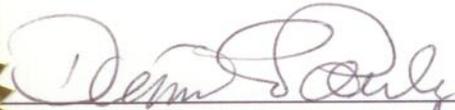
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor of the City of Rock Island, do hereby proclaim May, 2012 as

**National Preservation Month**

and call upon the people of Rock Island to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

MAY 16, 2012  
Date



  
Dennis E. Pauley, Mayor