



Proclamation

*On a motion from Councilor Xanthe Norris
Members of Greenville County Council wish to recognize*

National Community Development Week in Greenville County

WHEREAS, the week of April 8-14, 2012 has been designated as National Community Development Week, and Greenville County, SC is a participant in the Community Development Block Grant program, which is a federally funded program which has operated since 1974 and funds a number of public services, economic development and housing programs which primarily benefit persons of low and moderate income; and

WHEREAS, Greenville County Redevelopment Authority, GCRA, administers these funds on behalf of Greenville County, SC and recognizes that the Community Development Block Grant Program is a partnership of government, business, nonprofit community organizations and that these services funded by the Program and often delivered by local nonprofit organizations and the municipalities of Fountain Inn, Greer, Mauldin, Simpsonville and Travelers Rest rely heavily on the dedication and commitment of our combined efforts; and

WHEREAS, Greenville County has expended approximately \$59 million in Community Development Block Grant funds over the past twenty years which have been spent to meet locally defined needs and long standing community problems including infrastructure projects, job creation and retention, affordable housing, meals and recreation services for the elderly and handicapped, afterschool programs for the youth and fair housing initiatives;

NOW THEREFORE, Greenville County Council hereby proclaims the week of April 8-14, 2012 as **Community Development Week** and April 13, 2012 as **Community Development Day** in Greenville County, and acknowledges and celebrates the vital importance of the Community Development Block Program; and

Be **IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED** that Council gives special thanks and recognition to all participants whose hard work and devotion have assured the quality and effectiveness of the program and its contributions to the county's vitality.

Signed on this 20th day of March 2012

Herman G. "Butch" Kirven, Chairman, Greenville County Council

