

PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2013 AS “ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH” IN CLEARFIELD CITY

WHEREAS, Clearfield City officials understand the vital service that the Davis School District and other area schools provide. These educational institutions make valuable learning opportunities available for students to obtain knowledge and become an integral part of our community; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the importance of student attendance at school and are supportive of the efforts of our schools to improve attendance. These efforts help to ensure that students are able to fully utilize the valuable learning opportunities available to them; and

WHEREAS, chronic absence – missing 10 percent or more of school per year for any reason including excused and unexcused beginning in kindergarten – is a proven predictor of academic trouble and dropout rates; and

WHEREAS, it is critical for students, parents and our community as a whole to be aware of the significance of regular school attendance. Good attendance is an essential part of student achievement and graduation; and

WHEREAS, student absences can be significantly reduced when schools, parents and the community work together to promote good attendance and help to address challenges that keep children from getting to and staying in school.

NOW, THEREFORE the Clearfield City Council and Mayor Wood hereby proclaim September 2013 as: **“Attendance Awareness Month”** in Clearfield City. We encourage parents, family, friends, and community partners to support our local schools in their efforts by reaching out to students that have attendance challenges.

In addition, we encourage our community to strive for less than one absence (excused or unexcused) per academic quarter for every student.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of September, 2013.

CLEARFIELD CITY CORPORATION

Don Wood, Mayor