## **Mayor Christian Price**

**Whereas,** individuals and communities are at the center of social change, discovering their power to make a difference; and

**Whereas,** the giving of oneself in service to another through volunteerism, empowers the giver and the recipient; and

**Whereas,** the entire community can inspire, equip and mobilize people to take action through volunteerism that changes the world; and

**Whereas,** experience teaches us that government by itself cannot solve all of our nation's social problems; and

**Whereas**, citizens who volunteer their time provide assistance which cannot be measured in terms of dollars; volunteers provide a spirit of helping that multiplies in value when each citizen reaches out to assist another; and

**Whereas,** volunteers throughout the City of Maricopa donate their time to a wide variety of human service programs such as senior services, alcohol and drug rehabilitation, food bank, battered women's shelters, programs for child abuse prevention, maternity and adoption, literacy, homeless youth; and

**Whereas,** these citizens also donate their time in helping the City of Maricopa through their service on City Council, Boards, Commissions and Committees; and

**Whereas,** the City of Maricopa has many volunteers providing services to the various City departments including the Library, Police, Fire, Administration and Development Services; and

**Whereas,** during this week all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers recognized for their commitment to service; and

Whereas, our country's volunteer force of more than 63 million is a great treasure; and

Whereas, volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Christian Price, Mayor of the City of Maricopa, do hereby proclaim the week of April 10-16, 2016, as **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK** in the City of Maricopa and we urge all residents of Maricopa to recognize, support and commend these special volunteers.

Dated this 5 <sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016		
	Christian Price. Mayor	