

**WHEREAS,** service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

**WHEREAS,** AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities, from educating students for the jobs of the 21<sup>st</sup> century by supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

**WHEREAS,** AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 60,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

**WHEREAS,** national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

**WHEREAS,** national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Richard Ranzau, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2015 as

**NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY**

And encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our county; to thank those who serve, and find ways to give back to their communities.

April 8, 2015