

# Proclamation

*County of Greenville*  
*State of South Carolina*

On motion of  
**COUNCILOR SID CATES**

Members of Greenville County Council  
wish to recognize

## **The Amazing Read**

**WHEREAS**, reading for enjoyment and enlightenment can enrich the lives of individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, reading is a cornerstone of education for people of all ages; and

**WHEREAS**, democracy needs an informed citizenry and reading is critical to this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, a community-wide reading event can encourage the love of reading and growth of understanding; and

**WHEREAS**, such a program can bring people of diverse backgrounds and viewpoints together, through the shared experience of reading, discussing, and exploring the same book; and

**WHEREAS**, the Greenville County Library System, Greenville Forward and the Vision 2025 Education Task Force wish to hold Greenville County's first one-book, one-community reading program, **The Amazing Read**; and

**WHEREAS**, the book *The Pleasure Was Mine* by Tommy Hays has been chosen to be the focus of **The Amazing Read**; and

**WHEREAS**, **The Amazing Read** is financially supported by grants from the Friends of the Greenville County Library System, the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the South Carolina State Library, the Rotary Club of Greenville and AT&T;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Greenville County Council hereby proclaims January through March 2008 to be

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in Greenville County, and encourages residents to become involved by reading *The Pleasure Was Mine* and by participating in the community activities related to the reading program.

Signed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2008.

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Herman G. Kirven Jr., Chairman  
Greenville County Council