



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the joys and delights of reading are relevant to all ages; and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville is firmly committed to promoting the importance of reading as a key component of a sound educational foundation and a fulfilling life; and

WHEREAS, the Greenville County Library System, Greenville Forward and the Vision 2025 Education Task Force will launch the first one-book, one-community reading program known as **The Amazing Read**; and

WHEREAS, the book chosen to be read for Greenville's community-wide reading of a single book is *The Pleasure was Mine* by Greenville native, Tommy Hays. This is Mr. Hays' third novel which was a 2006 Fiction Finalist presented by the Southern Independent Booksellers Alliance and was read on National Public Radio's "Radio Reader" and SCETV-Radio's "Southern Read" hosted by historian Walter Edgar.

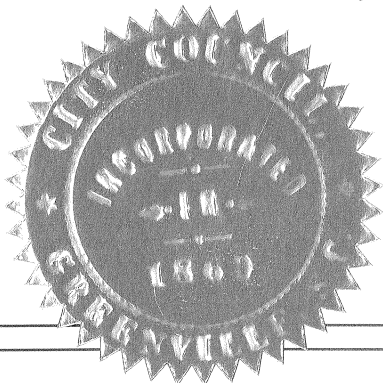
WHEREAS, the City of Greenville supports and applauds the worthy goals of **The Amazing Read** campaign which will further instill our citizens with a love of books and the importance of becoming lifelong readers.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Knox H. White, Mayor of the City of Greenville, SC, and on behalf of City Council, do hereby proclaim January through March, 2008, as

THE AMAZING READ

in the City of Greenville.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenville to be affixed this 28th day of January 2008.



KNOX H. WHITE, MAYOR