

## Proclamation

**W**HEREAS, the Ronald McDonald House of the Ozarks has provided a “home away from home” and an invaluable source of hope and comfort for families of seriously-ill and injured children who must travel far from home for medical care; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Ronald McDonald House, located in Springfield, Missouri, allows their guests to maintain close contact with their seriously-ill children by providing a secure and supportive environment at the barest minimum of cost or at no cost at all if guests cannot afford it; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ronald McDonald House of the Ozarks has served the needs of 351 Lawrence County Families, 66 of which are residents of Mount Vernon, Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, on Thursday, January 28, 2012, 60 McDonald’s Restaurants and various other locations in the Ozarks began displaying red paper hearts which have been signed and “adopted” by citizens donating \$1.00, \$5.00 and \$20.00 to the Ronald McDonald House of the Ozarks through the Share a Heart Campaign;

**WHEREAS**, the following generous sponsors have underwritten the costs for the Share a Heart Campaign: McDonald’s of the Ozarks; Great Southern Bank; Mid-Am Metal Forming; CoxHealth; McCann Printing; KTTS Radio; and KY3 Television.

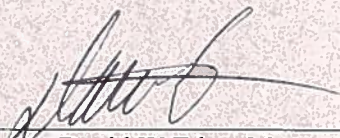
**WHEREAS**, McDonald’s of Mount Vernon is a participant in the Share a Heart Campaign, which will continue through February 28, 2012.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, David W. Eden, Mayor of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri do hereby proclaim February 5 through February 11, 2012 as,

“RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE WEEK”

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012.



  
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David W Eden, Mayor