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

WHEREAS, the nation’s mayors are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet city needs; and

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

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, Nine national service participants of all ages and backgrounds serve in Moscow, providing vital support to city residents and improving the quality of life in our city; 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; including more than $15,790,000 in the State of Idaho since 1994; 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; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, City of Service, and mayors across the country to recognize the impact of service on the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service on April 7, 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lambert, Mayor for the City of Moscow, Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2015, to be

National Service Recognition Day

in the city, and I encourage everyone to recognize the positive impacts of volunteer service in our city, to thank those who serve, and to find ways that we may also give back to our community and our nation.

DATED this 6th of April, 2015

Bill Lambert, Mayor