

**CITY OF NIXA  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
STATE OF MISSOURI**

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Head Start program was established in 1965 as part of President Lyndon B. Johnson's War on Poverty, with the mission of promoting school readiness for children from low-income families by providing comprehensive early childhood education, health, nutrition, and parent involvement services; and

**WHEREAS**, for 60 years, Head Start has been a cornerstone in communities across the nation, fostering the development and success of millions of children and families through high-quality early learning experiences; and

**WHEREAS**, the dedicated educators, staff, and volunteers of Head Start programs work tirelessly to ensure that children enter school prepared to succeed, helping to break the cycle of poverty and build brighter futures; and

**WHEREAS**, the Head Start program in the City of Nixa has been instrumental in providing critical early childhood services to local families, strengthening our community, and shaping the next generation of leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, on this milestone 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we recognize and celebrate the profound impact of Head Start and reaffirm our commitment to supporting early childhood education and family well-being;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jarad Giddens, Mayor of the City of Nixa, Missouri, do hereby proclaim May 18, 2025, as

**"Head Start Day"**

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Nixa, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk