## Mayor Jenny Wilson

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, volunteerism is an expression of commitment to our civic life and to those who live in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteers are often unsung heroes who, "driven by their conviction that we all have a stake in each other," President Barack Obama said, "have lifted up those they know and those they do not, making our Nation and our world a better place;" and

*WHEREAS*, volunteers from throughout Salt Lake County have connected with county agencies to lend their time, talent and voices as they have nurtured and mentored our children; fed and comforted our older residents; beautified our green spaces, cared for our animals; shared the joys and bounties of gardening; filled sandbags; greeted our library patrons, and provided assistance in our cultural facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, nearly 21,000 residents, in partnership with Salt Lake County, volunteered 492,760 hours for a monetary value of \$12,166,000; and

**WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Month, observed each year in April, is dedicated to honoring all volunteers in our community and encouraging others to join the ranks of those who serve.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Jenny Wilson, Mayor of Salt Lake County, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as

## National Volunteer Month

and invite residents to volunteer in daily service to others and in causes that improve our quality of life, and to celebrate the impact of volunteer service and the power of volunteers to tackle society's greatest challenges, to build strong communities, and to be a force that can transform the world.

Adopted this $9^{th}$ day of April, 2019.
Jenny Wilson
Mayor