

Office of the Mayor  
City of Fayetteville  
**Proclamation**



**WHEREAS:** "Diamond Schools to Watch" in the state of Arkansas are schools that are aspiring to raise student achievement by implementing fully the middle school concept, by keeping the whole child in mind, and

**WHEREAS:** a "Diamond Schools to Watch" is a school that is carefully moving to meet the nationally endorsed criteria for high performing middle schools, and

**WHEREAS:** schools selected as a "Diamond Schools to Watch" are recognized at the state and national level, and

**WHEREAS:** schools selected as a "Diamond Schools to Watch" will serve as a model and mentor for other schools seeking to improve, even as they continue as a Diamond School to Watch, and

**WHEREAS:** Diamond schools are high-performing middle-grade schools. They are academically excellent, developmentally responsive, socially equitable, and are learning organizations that establish norms, structures, and organizational arrangements to support and sustain their path toward excellence.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, Lioneld Jordan, Mayor of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas do hereby proclaim March 15, 2017 as**

**"Holt Middle School,  
A Diamond School to Watch Day"**

in Fayetteville, Arkansas and encourage everyone to join me in celebrating Holt Middle School as they are being honored for this national elite status.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas to be affixed on the 15th day of March, 2017.**

**Attest:**

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk

