

City of El Paso de Robles

PROCLAMATION

Creek Day

Saturday, September 27, 2008

WHEREAS, healthy creeks provide important habitat for fish, amphibians, birds and other wildlife; and clean creeks contribute to a beautiful environment, and benefit agriculture and tourism, San Luis Obispo County's biggest sources of income; and

WHEREAS, our creeks flow throughout our communities and into the ocean; and clean creeks and clean water are required to protect public health, to grow food and fiber, to provide opportunities for public recreation, and to promote sustainable economic development; and

WHEREAS clean water is a limited and natural resource and must be used wisely; and trash and debris can harm and even kill local wildlife; and Fall is an important time to remove trash from our creeks before rain from winter storms arrives and washes debris into our oceans; and

WHEREAS, cleaning our creeks can improve our environment and keep us, our children, and wildlife safe; and it is the shared responsibility of citizens, federal, state and local government, organizations, and businesses to protect our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, dedicated citizens, as individuals, families, friends, neighbors and members of government and private organizations, work hard to maintain the health of our creek systems; and

WHEREAS, members of the "**Creek Day**" planning committee; including Atascadero Mutual Water Company, Central Coast Salmon Enhancement, Citizens of Santa Margarita, Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo, Morro Bay National Estuary Program, Cal Poly, Nipomo Conservation District, San Luis Obispo County Partners in Water Quality, Templeton Conservation District; and the City of Paso Robles have come together to organize a county-wide creek clean-up event;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Frank Mecham, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and speaking on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 27, 2008 as "**Creek Day**".

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on this 16th day of September 2008, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Paso Robles to be affixed.

Frank Mecham, Mayor