## CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

## Proclamation

Love is the link that binds us as one humanity. On Saturday, May 1, 2005, people from throughout the city of Philadelphia and around the world are joining hands to acknowledge, celebrate and share love.

GLOBAL LOVE DAY will establish a worldwide focus toward "unconditionally loving each other as we love ourselves." This is a wonderful opportunity for individuals, organizations and governments to participate in a day of healing and transformation through love.

The theme of this day is "Love Begins With Me" and is a way to recognize that each of us is a potent force of love when we allow this energy to express itself. There is nothing we have to ultimately do, rather we need only to allow ourselves to feel and be loved.

It is that simple. GLOBAL LOVE DAY is merely a way to remember that love is ours to be and share every moment of our lives.

On this and every day of the year, we all have an opportunity to make a difference. Together we can transform the present into peace, security, joy and love. When we choose love over fear, kindness over hate, integration over separation, and peace over war, we bring a new reflection to humanity and reveal our empowered and loving selves.

It is fitting and appropriate, therefore, that the City of Philadelphia recognizes with this Proclamation May 1, 2005, as

## GLOBAL LOVE DAY

In Philadelphia, and call upon all citizens to join together in celebrating and expanding love between all people throughout the City of Philadelphia and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.



JOHN F. STREET Mayor

> Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Philadelphia, this first day of May, two thousand and five