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# CITY OF BALLWIN, MISSOURI



## PROCLAMATION

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### *IN RECOGNITION OF PAY IT FORWARD DAY*

**WHEREAS**, the aim of the Pay It Forward concept is to promote community spirit through intentional acts of kindness; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pay It Forward novel, written by Catherine Ryan Hyde in 2000, has inspired the creation of a movie, a non-profit foundation, and a movement that has been vital in inspiring millions of good deeds all over the world; and

**WHEREAS**, Pay It Forward Day was created in 2007 in Australia to further the altruistic movement of goodwill; and

**WHEREAS**, Pay It Forward Day is a worldwide effort being supported by people in more than 65 countries on 6 continents; and

**WHEREAS**, Pay It Forward Day encourages people to do good deeds for others without asking for anything in return, except for the recipients to pay it forward to others in need; and

**WHEREAS**, together we can make a difference by creating positive change in our community and world – one good deed at a time;

**THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Tim Pogue of the City of Ballwin, Missouri, join The Rotary Club of West St. Louis County and other west county communities to hereby proclaim Thursday, April 24, 2014 as:

#### **PAY IT FORWARD DAY**

The City of Ballwin, Missouri urges all citizens to observe this day with activities and acts of kindness that demonstrate and celebrate selfless giving.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Ballwin, Missouri to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

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Tim Pogue, Mayor