



# Proclamation

By the Mayor of Prattville, Alabama

*WHEREAS, the City of Prattville recognizes the importance of parents talking with their teens about alcohol; and*

*WHEREAS, high school students who use alcohol or other substances are five times more likely to drop out of school or believe good grades are not important; and*

*WHEREAS, teen alcohol use kills about 5,000 people each year, more than all other illegal drugs combined; and*

*WHEREAS, the majority of kids say their parents are their primary influence when it comes to decisions about drinking alcohol; and*

*WHEREAS, to equip parents to talk with their teens about alcohol, Mothers Against Drunk Driving® (MADD) Alabama on April 21st will offer a free community parent workshop to give parents the tools in a parent handbook to effectively talk to their teens about alcohol; and*

*WHEREAS, I urge all citizens to join in the local and national efforts to raise awareness of the importance of parents and teens talking together about alcohol in order to reduce the risks and dangers posed to teens and communities; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, do I Bill Gillespie, as the Mayor of Prattville, do hereby proclaim Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> to be:*

## PowerTalk 21<sup>®</sup> Day

*in the City of Prattville, Alabama.*



*Given Under My Hand and the Seal of the City of Prattville on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2014.*

*Bill Gillespie Jr.*

*Mayor Bill Gillespie, Jr.*