

# Proclamation



Town of Carolina Beach  
Town Council

**PROCLAMATION NO. 22-2273**

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY  
OF MARIE UNDERWOOD**

**WHEREAS**, longevity of life is a blessing for an individual and for a community which benefits from the knowledge, skills, and experiences this individual brings to all; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Carolina Beach recognizes with respect and admiration the contribution of our senior citizens to our community; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Marie Underwood was born October 25, 1922, in Greensboro, NC to parents who owned a dry-cleaning business. She was a twin to Margie and had one brother, Robert. At the age of 19, she moved to Washington, DC to live with her aunt and uncle. While there, she passed both the Civil Service and the FBI exams. She was one of the first women to be hired by J. Edgar Hoover with a salary of \$18 per week. She could type 150 words per minute, almost as fast as she can play the piano!

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Underwood met the love of her life, Ron, while working for the FBI. It was on her birthday, October 25, 1942, that they married. Ron and Marie raised 2 sons: Ronnie and Bob. They moved to Carolina Beach in 1990 to care for her mother, Mrs. Witt. They were married for 60 wonderful years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that I, Lynn Barbee, Mayor of the Town of Carolina Beach and on behalf of the entire Town Council and citizens of Carolina Beach, honor Ms. Marie Underwood for her long life and prosperity, and wish her many more birthdays.

This the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

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Albert L. Barbee, Mayor

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Attest: Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk