

Proclamation

WHEREAS, over the past 17 years, Carolyn Edwards has demonstrated unwavering dedication to the mission of Clay County Habitat for Humanity, Inc., serving with distinction as Family Services Coordinator for 5 years and as Executive Director for the past 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn has been a champion for affordable housing, advocating tirelessly for marginalized families in our community and beyond, and actively working to address housing challenges at the local and state levels; and

WHEREAS, she served as a State of Florida Certified Mediator for the Northeast Florida District, utilizing her skills to build bridges and foster understanding; and

WHEREAS, she represented our community with honor as the District 2 Representative for the Florida Affiliate State Office (ASO) of Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors, ensuring our region's voice was heard; and

WHEREAS, she contributed meaningfully as a member of the Clay County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) with the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, through her leadership, Carolyn facilitated the construction of more than 60 homes for marginalized families in Clay County, transforming lives and fostering stability for generations; and

WHEREAS, she collaborated with local city and state governments, non-profits, and community organizations to drive affordable housing initiatives, strengthening partnerships and amplifying the impact of these efforts; and

WHEREAS, she engaged directly with legislators at the local, state, and federal levels, including in Tallahassee and Washington, D.C., advocating for policies and resources to expand housing opportunities; and

WHEREAS, after an illustrious career marked by compassion, service, and an unwavering commitment to the community, Carolyn retired from Clay County Habitat for Humanity on December 31, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Green Cove Springs hereby recognizes and celebrates Carolyn Edwards for her exemplary service, leadership, and advocacy, which have left a permanent mark on our community and set a standard of excellence for all to follow.

Section 2. A true copy of this Proclamation shall be spread upon the Official Minutes of the City Council of the City of Green Cove Springs.

DONE AND PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, IN REGULAR SESSION THIS 21ST DAY OF JANUARY 2025.

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA



Steven R. Kelley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Erin West, City Clerk