

Proclamation

American Pharmacists Month

WHEREAS, Pharmacy is one of the oldest of the health professions concerned with the health and well-being of all people; and

WHEREAS, Today there are more than 300,000 pharmacists licensed in the United States providing services to ensure the safe and effective use of all medications; and

WHEREAS, The safe and effective use of medications, as a cost-effective alternative and a mechanism to avoid more expensive medical procedures, is a major force in moderating overall healthcare costs; and

WHEREAS, Today's powerful and complex medications require greater attention to the manner in which they are used by different population groups – both clinically and demographically; and

WHEREAS, It is important that all users of prescription and nonprescription medications, their families or their caregivers, be knowledgeable about and share responsibility for their own drug therapy; and

WHEREAS, Pharmacists have extensive education and expertise on drugs and medication therapy, making them ideally suited to work with patients and their health care team members to improve medication use and outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Pharmacists provide patients with expertise, knowledge and accessibility, all crucial factors to support improvement in our nation's public health and have helped to combat the COVID-19 pandemic over the past 4 years; and

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are utilized to the full capacity of their license with recent expansions in practice to include prescribing and providing oral contraceptives, long acting injectables, nicotine replacement products and continue to have a broadening role in improving access to high quality healthcare; and

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are best positioned to be the health care professionals to help patients improve their adherence to their medication and provide patient care services that ensure optimal medication therapy outcomes; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hendersonville is honored to have the students of the Wingate University School of Pharmacy as they enjoy the state of the art facility to further their education in Hendersonville, a place they can call home, and to express our appreciation for fulfilling their mission to give back and serve this community with both student pharmacists and pharmacy graduates.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barbara Volk, Mayor of the City of Hendersonville do hereby proclaim the month of October to be

“American Pharmacist Month”

in the City of Hendersonville and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787.

PROCLAIMED this 3rd day of October, 2024.

Barbara G. Volk, Mayor
City of Hendersonville

Attest:

Jill Murray, City Clerk