

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE CITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT
THE “CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN
(2025)”**

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 143B-181.1A provides the establishment of state-level aging plans and support for local planning efforts addressing the needs of aging citizens; and

WHEREAS, 17% of the population of North Carolina is 65 years old or older, while 30.9% of the residents of the City of Hendersonville are 65 years old or older; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hendersonville applied for and was designated as an ‘Age-Friendly Community’ by AARP in February of 2024; and

WHEREAS, a distinction of an AARP Age-Friendly Community is that the designated community will develop an Age-Friendly Community Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hendersonville recently developed and adopted the Gen H Comprehensive Plan which set forth goals, policies and programs intended to guide the present and future physical, social and economic development of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, in the development the Gen H Comprehensive Plan, the City of Hendersonville engaged in a robust community engagement effort with special emphasis on reaching older adult residents; and

WHEREAS, City of Hendersonville staff, with the assistance of Susan Enwright-Hicks - a Western Carolina University Master of Public Affairs recipient, and in collaboration with key stakeholders, developed an Age-Friendly Community Action Plan for the City of Hendersonville built upon the recommendations of the Gen H Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the draft plan was presented to City Council at the public workshop on May 28, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina that the City of Hendersonville hereby adopts the City of Hendersonville Age-Friendly Community Action Plan.

Adopted this 2nd day of July 2025.

Attest:

Barbara G. Volk, Mayor, City of Hendersonville

Jill Murray, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Angela S. Beeker, City Attorney