

# Proclamation

## **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the National Senior Nutrition Program HENDERSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

**WHEREAS**, since 1972, the National Senior Nutrition Program has helped fund local agencies and organizations, such as the Council on Aging for Henderson County, serve home-delivered and congregate meals that ensure older adults have opportunities to stay healthy, independent, and connected; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 10 million older Americans face hunger each year; North Carolina is ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in the country for food insecurity; and more than a quarter of Henderson County's population is 65 and older which puts thousands of local seniors at risk of malnutrition; and

**WHEREAS**, local senior nutrition programs help older adults access healthy foods; nutrition screening, education, and counseling; social opportunities; and other supports that encourage well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council on Aging is an integral part of Henderson County's nonprofit network – providing sustenance and more to older community members, especially those most vulnerable to chronic health challenges and social isolation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Hendersonville does hereby proclaim the month of March, 2022 to be the

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in the City of Hendersonville and urge every resident to recognize older adults and the people who support them through nutrition services as essential contributors to the strength of our community.

**PROCLAIMED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2022

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Barbara G. Volk, Mayor  
City of Hendersonville

Attest:

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Angela Reece, City Clerk