

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE

WHEREAS, in 1841 Judge Mitchell King of Charleston, South Carolina, generously donated 56 acres from his summer estate for a site to build the county seat within the county of Henderson, which was formed in 1838 from the southern part of Buncombe County; and

WHEREAS, on January 7, 1847, the North Carolina General Assembly approved an act to establish the Town of Hendersonville, to serve as the seat of government for Henderson County, and named in honor of Judge Leonard Henderson, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, with the arrival of the railroad in 1879 from Spartanburg, South Carolina, the agricultural significance of the city increased; and

WHEREAS, in 1913 the Town of Hendersonville became known as the City of Hendersonville; and

WHEREAS, Hendersonville's Main Street, a remarkable one hundred feet in width, was designed by surveyor James Dryer Justice on what was known in the 1850s to 1880s as the Buncombe Turnpike. Main Street today retains much of the character it has possessed since the height of its development in the late 19th and early 20th centuries and was registered in the National Register of Historic Places in March 1988; and

WHEREAS, Hendersonville is traditionally known as “The City of Four Seasons” with its distinct seasonal weather patterns which draw visitors to the area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hendersonville’s governing body and staff are committed to providing quality, efficient services to residents, visitors, and businesses, and promoting a high quality of life, and

WHEREAS, the 175th anniversary is an appropriate time to reflect on the remarkable history of the City of Hendersonville;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barbara G. Volk, Mayor of the City of Hendersonville do hereby proclaim January 7, 2022, “IN RECOGNITION OF THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA” and commend its observance to all citizens.

Barbara G. Volk, Mayor
City of Hendersonville

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the City of Hendersonville at the City Hall this sixth day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two.

seal

Angela L. Reece, City Clerk