

# Proclamation

## YEAR OF THE TRAIL 2023

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hendersonville's natural beauty is critical to its residents' quality of life, health, and economic wellbeing; and

**WHEREAS**, the trails that span across our community are an integral part of the recreational and transportation possibilities of our area and promote an enjoyment of scenic beauty by our residents and our visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, the parks, greenways, trails, and natural areas in our community are welcoming to all and provide a common ground for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds to access our rich and diverse natural, cultural, and historic resources; and

**WHEREAS**, trails offer quality-of-life benefits to all as expressions of local community character and pride, as outdoor workshops for science education, as tools for economic revitalization, as free resources for healthy recreation, as accessible alternative transportation, and as sites for social and cultural events; and

**WHEREAS**, nature trails with the community vary from the Oklawaha Greenway along Mud Creek, to the soon to be completed Clear Creek Greenway and Henderson County's Ecusta Trail, to natural surface and paved trails within our parks and greenspaces; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina General Assembly designated 2023 as the Year of the Trail in North Carolina to promote and celebrate the state's extensive network of trails that showcase our state's beauty, vibrancy, and culture; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is known as the "Great Trails State"; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina that City Council does hereby proclaim 2023 as "THE YEAR OF THE TRAIL" in the City of Hendersonville and commend its observance to all people.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Hendersonville, North Carolina on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2023.

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Barbara G. Volk, Mayor  
City of Hendersonville

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Jill Murray, City Clerk