

A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR OF PINEVILLE, N.C. RECOGNIZING THE 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE PINEVILLE COMMERICAL BLOCK

WHEREAS, the Pineville Commercial Block has been declared an historic landmark in Mecklenburg County, due to its historical, architectural features, and;

WHEREAS, the commercial block includes buildings 312 to 330 Main Street, and;

WHEREAS, the Pineville Commercial Block is nearing its 100th year in existence, having been constructed in the early 1910's and 1920's, and;

WHEREAS, this block of buildings is one of the only commercial blocks in Mecklenburg County to have retained its historical and architectural features, and;

WHEREAS, its special historic significance reveals the story of Pineville's most prominent families and the civic, social and cultural development of the Town; and

WHEREAS, one of the most successful businessmen of Pineville, Samuel Younts, owned the store at 316 Main Street, which generated between \$100,000 to \$175,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, 316 Main then became the Howard Brothers Grocery Store which remained opened until the early 1970's followed by an antique store opening in the early 1980's; and

WHEREAS, current owner, Kevin Devaney, has turned this treasure into Margaux's Wine. Pizza and Market which continues to display the original architectural and historical values to this day.

IT IS THEREFORE NOW PROCLAIMED that 316 Main Street in Pineville is a 100-year old treasure.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the GREAT SEAL OF PINEVILLE to be affixed. Done at Pineville this 22nd day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

Mayor John "Jack" Edwards