

PROCLAMATION FOR PINEVILLE'S WORLD FEST

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2026, the Town of Pineville will celebrate its first **World Fest** in honor of its international community; and

WHEREAS, Pineville is a diverse community made up of residents from countries including Mexico, Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, Colombia, Venezuela, Peru, India, Pakistan, China, Vietnam, Nigeria, and Ghana; and

WHEREAS, Pineville's international community represents regions from across the globe, including North America, Central America, South America, Asia, and West Africa; and

WHEREAS, the international population in Pineville is predominantly Latin American, representing approximately 60 percent of the foreign-born community, while the remaining 40 percent is comprised of approximately 20 percent Asian, 10 percent African, and 10 percent European and Caribbean populations; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pineville recognizes and appreciates the valuable efforts and partnerships of organizations and community leaders, including the Pineville Police Department, Parks & Recreation Department, Pineville Fire Department, Pineville World Fest, All4One, Colombian American Chamber of Commerce, Fiestas Patrias, La Casa de la Cultura, Carolinas Asian-American Chamber of Commerce and Pineville Neighbors Place, whose contributions help strengthen community unity, cultural awareness, and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pineville further recognizes and values the countless contributions made by members of its international community, enriching the cultural, economic, and social fabric of the town.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Amelia Stinson-Wesley, Mayor of the Town of Pineville, do hereby proclaim May 30, 2026, as "**PINEVILLE'S WORLD FEST**" in Pineville and commend its observance to all residents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Town of Pineville to be affixed.

Mayor Amelia Stinson-Wesley