

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HONORING WARRENTON'S PLACE IN THE AMERICAN STORY

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the 250th anniversary of the United States of America, a quarter-millennium milestone that invites us to reflect with gratitude upon a bold and continuing experiment in liberty, self-governance, civic responsibility, and the enduring pursuit of a more perfect Union; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrenton stands as a living testament to that grand American journey, with a history deeply rooted in the founding ideals of independence, service, perseverance, and community, preserved through the care and common purpose of each generation; and

WHEREAS, Warrenton bears the name of Major General Joseph Warren, a patriot, physician, leader, and champion of freedom who laid down his life at the Battle of Bunker Hill, leaving this community forever connected to the courage, sacrifice, and spirit of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, through generations of conflict, trial, transformation, and renewal—from the historic milestones to the quiet, everyday triumphs of its people—Warrenton has continually adapted and moved forward, proving that the American spirit is forged in resilience; and

WHEREAS, the strength of Warrenton has never rested solely in the names recorded in history, but in the generations of residents, families, civic leaders, businesses, faith communities, and volunteers who work together to build a stronger, more welcoming community; and

WHEREAS, this monumental anniversary calls upon us not merely to remember the centuries behind us, but to actively rekindle a fierce spirit of unity, purpose, and possibility, summoning us once more to mutual respect and a renewed dedication to the work of freedom; and

WHEREAS, as Warrenton joins the nation in celebrating the birth of this great nation we do so with gratitude for those who came before us, with pride in the good our community has contributed, and with a shared commitment to driving forward together for the betterment of all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carter Nevill, Mayor of the Town of Warrenton, Virginia, on behalf of the Warrenton Town Council, The Citizens of the Town of Warrenton, and all those who have led to the freedoms we enjoy today, do hereby proclaim the Town of Warrenton's joyous participation in

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And call upon very resident, neighbor, business, organization, and visitor to join together in this momentous celebration of freedom, gratitude, history, and hope; to honor the Revolutionary roots that helped shape our community; and to recommit ourselves to the great and noble work of serving our fellow man, strengthening deep unity, and moving forward hand-in-hand toward a bright, prosperous, and harmonious future for Warrenton, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the United States of America.



H. E. Carter Nevill
Mayor, Town of Warrenton