

Proclamation Recognizing November 1, 2025 as National Family Literacy Day in the Town of Smithfield

WHEREAS, National Family Literacy Day, established by the 103rd Congress in 1994, now marking its 31st anniversary on November 1, 2025, highlights the importance of reading and learning for the entire family and emphasizes the impact that parents have on their child's learning; and

WHEREAS, this day is celebrated across America each year, and focuses on special activities and events that showcase the importance of family literacy programs that empower families and build a nation of readers; and

WHEREAS, literacy programs across the United States will observe National Family Literacy Day by holding read-a-thons, book drives, workshops, and family activities at schools, libraries, and community centers to encourage literacy; and

WHEREAS, as many as one in five adults struggle with reading and writing, and by learning to read, individuals can gain self-respect and confidence and strive toward goals that otherwise would not be achievable; and

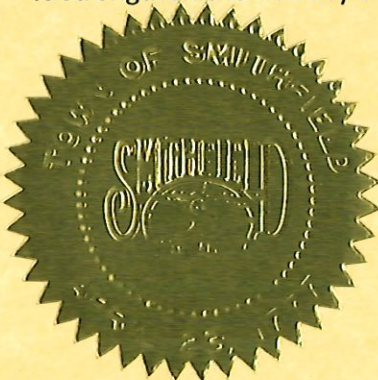
WHEREAS, we recognize and honor the countless educators, business partners, and volunteers throughout the country who are committed to advancing adult literacy. We also celebrate the determination and achievements of adults striving to improve their literacy skills, empowering themselves to thrive as parents, workers, community members, and citizens; and

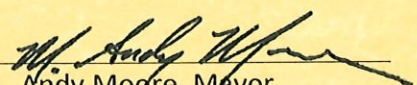
WHEREAS, the Smithfield Town Council acknowledges that literacy is essential to the well-being of individuals and to the overall strength and prosperity of our Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, M. Andy Moore, Mayor of the Town of Smithfield, do hereby proclaim November 1, 2025 as

NATIONAL FAMILY LITERACY DAY

In the Town of Smithfield, to underscore the importance of literacy, celebrate the joy of reading, encourage residents to promote literacy by reading together as a family, and to extend deep appreciation to our local librarians, educators, and literacy service providers for their tireless efforts to strengthen the literacy of our children and our community.




M. Andy Moore, Mayor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the Town of Smithfield on this Seventh day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.