

PROCLAMATION
Recognizing February as “All in Red Month”
In the Town of Smithfield

WHEREAS, the well-being of our community is of paramount importance, and maintaining excellent health among our citizens remains a top priority; February marks the month-long, county-wide heart health awareness campaign entitled “*ALL IN RED*”, organized by UNC Health Johnston and the Johnston Health Foundation; and

WHEREAS, in the United States, North Carolina, and Johnston County, heart disease is a leading cause of death among both men and women; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), up to 80% of premature deaths from heart disease and stroke could be prevented through increased physical activity, improved diet, education, and proper management of medical conditions such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and diabetes; and

WHEREAS, *ALL IN RED* provides an opportunity to raise awareness about heart health while addressing the growing needs of local cardiology patients; and

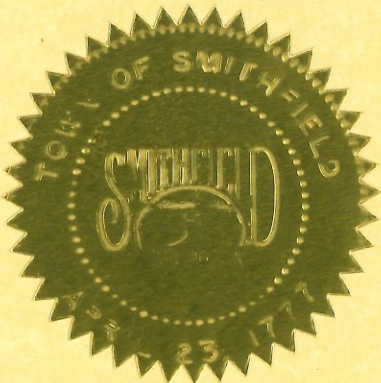
WHEREAS, the *ALL IN RED* campaign encourages all Johnston County residents, business owners, and visitors to participate in this initiative by wearing red on **February 7, 2025**, *National Wear Red Day*, and/or **running a RED promo or fundraiser throughout February**; and

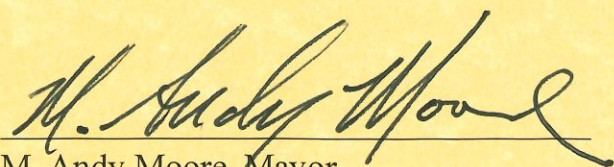
WHEREAS, recognizing the financial challenges faced by heart patients, all funds raised during this campaign will benefit local heart patients through the Johnston Health Foundation’s Heart Fund; and

WHEREAS, on this day, we recognize heart disease and stroke survivors, those battling the disease, their families who are their source of love and encouragement, and applaud the efforts of our medical professionals who provide quality care;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, M. Andy Moore, Mayor of the Town of Smithfield along with members of the Town Council do hereby proclaim **February 2025** as “***ALL IN RED MONTH***” and encourage businesses, industries, and citizens in our community to support and participate in this event.

Duly proclaimed this 4th day of February 2025, while in regular session.




M. Andy Moore, Mayor