CITY OF BREVARD, NORTH CAROLINA

Proclamation

NO. 2026-20
HONORING CAROLYN LEMMOND WINCHESTER ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY, DECLARING AUGUST 9, 2026 AS "CAROLYN LEMMOND WINCHESTER DAY", AND BESTOWING CAROLYN LEMMOND WINCHESTER A KEY TO THE CITY

WHEREAS, Carolyn Lemmond Winchester is celebrating a monumental milestone, reaching the extraordinary age of 100 years on August 9, 2026; and

WHEREAS, throughout a remarkable century of life, Carolyn Lemmond Winchester has witnessed profound changes in the world and has been a cornerstone of the Brevard community, embodying the values of resilience, wisdom, and grace; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Lemmond Winchester has dedicated over 40 years of her life to serving the Transylvania County Schools system as a Biology and Spanish Teacher at Brevard High School, and after retirement she developed a Spanish Program for the County's elementary schools, and served as a member of the Transylvania County School Board, leaving a lasting, positive legacy in our community; and

WHEREAS, for the past 13 years Carolyn Lemmond Winchester has been honored by her family with the Carolyn Lemmond Winchester Scholarship which is awarded annually to deserving students of Brevard High School and Rosman High School, based on need and academic performance; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Lemmond Winchester joined the Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian Church in 1950 and has served in many leadership roles during the last 76 years, serving as the first director of the Church's Preschool in 1957 and served on its Board for many years; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Lemmond Winchester was elected as the Worthy Grand Matron of the North Carolina Order of the Eastern Star by its 40,000-plus membership from 1983-1984 and has continued to be active for 80 years; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her enduring contributions to the City of Brevard and Transylvania County, it is fitting and proper that the City honors this cherished resident.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Maureen Copelof, Mayor of the City of Brevard, on behalf of the City Council and the residents of Brevard, do hereby proclaim August 9, 2026 as **"CAROLYN LEMMOND WINCHESTER DAY"** in the City of Brevard, North Carolina, and commend its observance to all its residents.

AND FURTHERMORE, as a symbol of our city's highest esteem, admiration, and affection, I am proud to present Carolyn Lemmond Winchester with the **KEY TO THE CITY**. May your 100th birthday be filled with the same love, warmth, and happiness you have so generously shared with us all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Brevard to be affixed on this 3rd day of August, 2026.

ATTEST:
Denise Hodsdon
Denise Hodsdon, CMC, NCCMC
City Clerk

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