

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, first responders—including public works professionals, firefighters, police officers, crisis responders, emergency medical technicians, 911 operators, paramedics, and other emergency personnel—stand on the front lines of our communities, selflessly serving and protecting the community members of the Town of Chapel Hill in times of crisis; and,

**WHEREAS**, first responders respond swiftly and courageously to emergencies, often putting their own lives at risk to ensure the safety and well-being of others, whether in natural disasters, accidents, medical emergencies, or public health and safety threats; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest for the community members, civic leaders, and children in the Town of Chapel Hill to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and other first responder efforts in their respective communities; and,

**WHEREAS**, as of 2019 the US Senate has included language recognizing public works alongside fellow/other first responders,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we, the Chapel Hill Mayor and Town Council, do hereby proclaim October 28, 2025 as:

## National First Responders Day

in the Town of Chapel Hill and urge all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies paying tribute to our public works first responders alongside law enforcement, firefighters, crisis responders, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, 911 operators, and other emergency personnel, to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing the quality of life for all.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL, ON THIS THE TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jan. C. A.", is written over a light blue background.