

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has a long history of excellence in collegiate basketball; and

WHEREAS, the 2021-22 men's basketball team contributed to that legacy by defeating the number one seed and defending national champion Baylor University, winning the East Regional Final over Saint Peter's University and advancing to the final in this year's NCAA Men's Basketball Championship; and

WHEREAS, the team secured the program's 21st Final Four appearance, adding to the Tar Heels' record for most all time Final Four appearances in NCAA history; and

WHEREAS, led by head coach Hubert Davis with love, humility, and deep commitment to the Carolina Way, the Tar Heels defeated the Duke Blue Devils in the national semi-final, marking the first time the long-time rivals have met in the NCAA Tournament; and

WHEREAS, in his first season as head coach, Hubert Davis was recognized as the 2021-22 National Coach of the Year by CollegeInsider.com which honored him with the prestigious John McLendon Award and by the National Sports Media Association, which presented him the Big House Gaines Award; and

WHEREAS, Coach Davis, a former UNC player and assistant coach, is the first rookie coach to reach the Final Four since former UNC Coach Bill Guthridge in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Armando Bacot, Caleb Love, RJ Davis, Leaky Black, Brady Manek, Puff Johnson, and the rest of the team gifted Tar Heel Nation thrills, joy and excitement and brought positive energy to Chapel Hill through their grit, determination, teamwork, and heart, overcoming challenge after challenge to become only the fourth #8 seed to reach the NCAA Tournament final game; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chapel Hill is proud to congratulate and recognize the accomplishments of Coach Davis and his extraordinary and inspirational team, wishing them continued luck as student-athletes and throughout their careers.

NOW, THEREFORE, we the Chapel Hill Town Council do, hereby, proclaim Thursday, April 7, 2022 as

A Day of Recognition of the 2021-22 UNC-Chapel Hill Men's Basketball Team

in the Town of Chapel Hill and encourage everyone to show their gratitude to the team, coaches and staff for their hard work, courage, and perseverance. They are champions to us.

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



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