

State of South Carolina)

County of Sumter)

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Men's Health Month is part of an ongoing international effort to educate men, boys, and their families about receiving regular disease prevention screenings and living healthier lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, Nationwide, life expectancy for men averages five years fewer than that of women, with men experiencing higher rates of health problems such as diabetes, obesity, cancer, heart disease, and premature mortality; and

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has had a devastating impact on men's health in the United States, dropping men's life expectancy by two years; and;

WHEREAS, Men's Health Month is a time for the public to recognize the mental and physical health needs of men and boys while encouraging fathers to be role models for their children through preventive health screenings, health living, and seeking needed help; and

WHEREAS, The growing epidemic of suicide and substance abuse requires special effort to raise awareness of unrecognized and undiagnosed depression and mental stress in boys and men; and

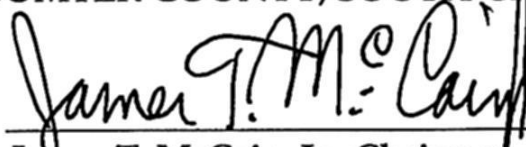
WHEREAS, The Centerpiece of Men's Health Month is National Men's Health Week, a special awareness period passed by Congress and signed into law by President Bill Clinton on May 31, 1994.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James T. McCain, Jr., Chairman of Sumter County Council, do hereby proclaim June 9-15, 2025, as Men's Health Week in Sumter, County South Carolina. Council members applaud all men in their work to make this county, state, and national a better place to live, learn, work, play, and worship.

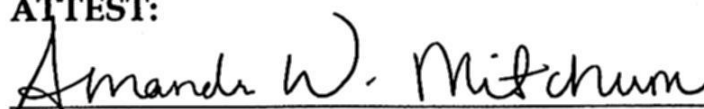
GIVEN UNDER THE SEAL OF SUMTER COUNTY COUNCIL this 8th day of April 2025, by Sumter County Council during its regular meeting duly assembled.

SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

BY:


James T. McCain, Jr., Chairman

ATTEST:


Amanda W. Mitchum, Clerk to Council

