

Proclamation

AMERICAN PHARMACISTS MONTH

WHEREAS, pharmacy is one of the oldest of the health professions concerned with the health and well-being of all people; and,

WHEREAS, today, there are over 10,000 pharmacists licensed in North Carolina and 300,000 pharmacists in the United States providing services to assure the rational and safe use of all medications; and,

WHEREAS, the use of medication, as a cost-effective alternative to more expensive medical procedures, is becoming a major force in moderating overall healthcare costs; and,

WHEREAS, today's powerful medications require greater attention to the manner in which they are used by different patient population groups -- both clinically and demographically; and,

WHEREAS, it is important that all users of prescription and nonprescription medications, or their caregivers, be knowledgeable about and share responsibility for their own drug therapy; and,

WHEREAS, Pharmacists are specifically educated with a focus and level of expertise on medication therapy that exceeds that of other health care providers, and are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and patients to improve medication use and outcomes by providing services through medication therapy management; and,

WHEREAS, Pharmacists provide both expertise and accessibility which are crucial to patients fully optimizing access to medications, and provide patient care that ensures optimal medication therapy outcomes; and,

WHEREAS, the American Pharmacists Association and the Carolina Association of Pharmacy Students at the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy have declared October as American Pharmacists Month.

WHEREAS, all Carrboro residents are encouraged to participate in this month by visiting one of our local pharmacies and, if needed, engaging with one of our many highly-qualified pharmacists.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barbara M. Foushee, Mayor of Carrboro, North Carolina, hereby proclaim October 2024 as "American Pharmacists Month" in the Town of Carrboro,

This, the 1st day of October 2024.


Barbara M. Foushee

