

Proclamation

World Water Day

WHEREAS, about 70% of Earth’s freshwater exists as snow or ice; and,

WHEREAS, nearly 2 billion people rely on water from glaciers, snowmelt and mountain run-off for drinking, agriculture, and energy production; and,

WHEREAS, as the planet gets hotter, our frozen world is shrinking, making the water cycle more unpredictable; and,

WHEREAS, countless communities and ecosystems are at risk of devastation. For billions of people, meltwater flows are changing, causing floods, draughts, landslides and sea level rise, and damaging ecosystems; and,

WHEREAS, as we work together to mitigate and adapt to climate change, glacier preservation is a top priority and survival strategy; and,

WHEREAS, we must reduce greenhouse gas emissions to slow down glacial retreat, and we must manage meltwater more sustainably; and,

WHEREAS, saving our glaciers is a survival strategy for people and the planet.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barbara M. Foushee, mayor of the Town of Carrboro, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 22, 2026, to be “World Water Day” in Carrboro.

This the 17th day of March, 2026.


Barbara M. Foushee

