

**REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**HENDERSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MEETING DATE:** April 17, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Proclamation – National Tennis Month

**PRESENTER:** Chairman Rebecca McCall

**ATTACHMENTS:** Yes  
1. Proclamation

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

The Community Association of Henderson County, in association with the US Tennis Association, has requested the Board of Commissioners proclaim May as National Tennis Month.

The Board is requested to approve the proclamation as presented.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

Staff requests the Board of Commissioners approve the proclamation.

**Suggested Motion:**

*I move the Board approve the proclamation for National Tennis Month.*

# Henderson County Board of Commissioners

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## PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING MAY AS NATIONAL TENNIS MONTH

- WHEREAS,** on May 21, 1881, the United States Tennis Association (USTA), originally known as the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, was founded in New York City, New York, to create rules and standards for the emerging game of lawn tennis; and
- WHEREAS,** the USTA is the nonprofit, national governing body for tennis in the United States, and leads the promotion and growth of the sport at every level of play, from beginners to professionals at the US Open; and
- WHEREAS,** the USTA is the largest tennis organization in the world, with over 550,000 members from every corner of the country; and
- WHEREAS,** the USTA proudly partners with local tennis programs to showcase the important health, social, and educational benefits of tennis, and make the sport available to everyone, regardless of age, environment, condition, or ability, through its USTA Adaptive Grants; and
- WHEREAS,** the latest research by the Physical Activity Council shows that more than 23.8 million Americans played tennis in 2023, an unprecedented 25 percent increase in participation over 2020 and the highest number of players since the PAC study began in 2007; and
- WHEREAS,** by increasing the accessibility of tennis for citizens of Henderson County, NC of all ages and ability, the USTA and its local affiliate, the Community Tennis Association of Henderson County, have contributed to making our community happier and healthier; and
- WHEREAS,** the USTA has declared the month of May as National Tennis Month to encourage players, organizations, facilities, retailers, tennis manufacturers, and more to promote local programs and activities at parks and facilities to showcase tennis and spread the word about the sport and its benefits, and to help players and non-players alike find courts and play opportunities in their communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, hereby proclaim May 2024 as National Tennis Month and hereby urge the citizens of this great county to become aware of and support National Tennis Month.

Adopted this 17th day of April, 2024.

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REBECCA MCCALL, CHAIRMAN  
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

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DENISA A. LAUFFER, CLERK TO THE BOARD