

*The Town of Hilton Head Island*

# *Commendation*

*Honoring*

**SAMUEL E. MURRAY**

***WHEREAS***, the Town of Hilton Head Island is honoring Samuel E. Murray on the occasion of his retirement as Mayor of the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina; and

***WHEREAS***, Mayor Murray served as a member of Town Council for 18 years and six consecutive terms as Mayor; and

***WHEREAS***, during Mayor Murray's time in office, the Town of Port Royal thrived, including numerous beautification projects as well as new infrastructure and buildings erected throughout, with a major focus on the redevelopment of the Port property, a project he personally initiated; and

***WHEREAS***, Mayor Murray is a graduate from South Carolina State College with a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Education, and in 1999 retiring as the Principal of James J. Davis Elementary School; and

***WHEREAS***, Mayor Murray is a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and a 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree Mason, and a Shriner. He serves on multiple associations, including the Port Royal Historic Foundation, the Beaufort Memorial Hospital Blood Alliance, is a member of the Southeastern Conference of Black Mayors, and a past member of the Board of Directors of the Municipal Association of South Carolina; and

***WHEREAS***, Mayor Murray has been an ambassador for the community, contributing greatly to the quality of life throughout the Town of Port Royal, Beaufort County, and the State.

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, John J. McCann, Mayor of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, on behalf of the Town Council, do hereby commend the dedication and contributions of Mayor Samuel E. Murray to the Town of Port Royal, Beaufort County, the State of South Carolina, and beyond!***

***IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF***, I hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of the Town of Hilton Head Island to be affixed this ***Twenty-second Day of January, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.***

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*John J. McCann, Mayor*