

The City of Charlotte



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the CDC, one in seven women in Charlotte have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, The World Health Organization and American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and

WHEREAS, infertility affects women and men equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status or socioeconomic level; the LGBTQ community also faces challenges when building their families; and

WHEREAS, some people become infertile due to a medical treatment for another condition, most often chemotherapy or radiation for cancer; and

WHEREAS, family building options include adoption and medical treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for many in our city to access the family building option they need and raising awareness of infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community is the first step to removing these barriers; and


WHEREAS, Charlotte joins dedicated volunteers, healthcare professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community by supporting awareness efforts:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, do hereby proclaim April 20-26, 2025 as

“NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK”

in Charlotte and commend its observance to all citizens.

WITNESS MY HAND and the official Seal of the City of Charlotte.


Vi Alexander Lyles
Mayor