



# Proclamation



## FIRST RESPONDER DAY

**WHEREAS**, on the morning of August 28, 2019, personnel from the Carrboro Fire Department, the Carrboro Police Department and Orange County Emergency Medical Services responded to a multi-vehicle accident; arriving on scene, they found one vehicle partially obstructing the roadway; the other vehicle had been pushed off the road by the force of the collision and was lying on its side; and

**WHEREAS**, Police and Fire personnel secured the scene and blocked the roadway to protect the occupants of the vehicles as well as the responders; and

**WHEREAS**, Carrboro Engine-1 made contact with the occupants in the vehicle that lay on its side and determined that they were trapped; Carrboro Truck-1 arrived on scene and quickly stabilized the vehicle with the use of rescue struts, rescue straps, and pickets; and

**WHEREAS**, Carrboro Engine-1 ensured the occupants were protected to prevent further injury, then cut out the windshield; with the windshield removed, initial medical care was initiated by Carrboro Engine-1 and Truck-1; the occupants were then successfully extricated from the vehicle while maintaining cervical spine precautions; and

**WHEREAS**, the occupants were transferred to two Orange County Emergency Medical Services ambulances for transport to the hospital; the occupant of the other vehicle was treated on scene for minor injuries and transferred to a third Orange County Emergency Medical Services ambulance for transport to the hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, a resident who observed this was so impressed by the actions of the first responders that he wrote to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to praise “a most remarkable performance of rescue professionalism by members of the Carrboro Police Department, the Carrboro Fire Department, the Carrboro unit of the Orange County Rescue, as well as support from a Chapel Hill Transit driver.”

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that, I, Lydia Lavelle, Mayor of the Town of Carrboro, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 19, 2019, as “**First Responder Day**” in the Town of Carrboro. I encourage all residents to show appreciation to the firefighters, rescue personnel, police officers, and others, whose professionalism, dedication and heroism keep the residents of Carrboro safe every day. All are invited to Carrboro Fire Station #1, at 301 West Main Street, for an open house on October 19<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM until 2 PM, to show their gratitude in person and to learn more about these brave and capable public servants and the tools they use to protect our Town and its people.

This, the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

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Lydia E. Lavelle, Mayor