

**CLARENDON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Sports are an indelible part of our culture and community and have reflected the trials and triumphs of the American experience and helped shape our lives and unite us and celebrate who we are as Americans; and

WHEREAS, Sports influences what we eat, say, read, watch, and wear including our favorite team's baseball caps, team jerseys, and jackets; and

WHEREAS, Sports phraseology has entered the American Lexicon including "saved by the Bell", "in the home stretch", "striking out", or "slam dunk"; and

WHEREAS, November 3, 2015 is the opening of the Smithsonian Institution Exhibit "Hometown Teams – How Sports Shape America" at Weldon Auditorium in partnership with the Humanities Council of S.C. and the Central Carolina Community Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the exhibit raises awareness and opportunities for Clarendon County; including the Clarendon County Historical Society and Museum; and features Clarendon County native Althea Gibson, a world class athlete who shattered racial barriers in professional tennis and golf; and

WHEREAS, events including the opening Parade of Sports, Tailgate Party, and Video Premier, the Art Exhibit and Writing Contest support the exhibit by providing additional educational opportunities for residents, visitors and their families; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that Clarendon County recognize the value of these events for economic vitality, conservation, and the sheer enjoyment of its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Chairman of Clarendon County Council, South Carolina, and on behalf of our County Council, I hereby proclaim the month of November 2015 as

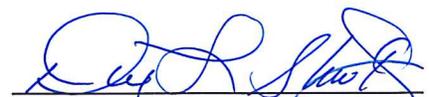
CLARENDON COUNTY SPORTS HERITAGE MONTH

Throughout the County and in recognition thereof do urge all of our County's residents and visitor to fully avail themselves of the opportunities to enjoy our sports heritage during the month of November 2015. **SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED THIS 17TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2015.**

ATTEST:


Dorothy Levy, Clerk to Council




Dwight L. Stewart, Jr., Chairman