

# CITY OF KINSTON

Office of the Mayor



## *Proclamation*

### **National League of Cities Small Cities Month June 2025**

Whereas small cities and towns under 50,000 population are the home to millions of Americans and constitute the vast majority of municipalities across the United States; and

Whereas small cities and towns strive to strengthen their communities through the provision of services and programs to improve the quality of life for all citizens; and

Whereas the federal government is an essential partner in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support programs and legislation that strengthen small communities; and

Whereas state governments are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support key programs and legislation that strengthen communities; and

Whereas organizations, businesses, and citizens are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to grow their efforts to make small communities a viable choice for people to live in; and

Whereas during these challenging economic times, the need for a renewed intergovernmental partnership to support essential public services is more important than ever to ensure the safety and growth of small-town America; and

Whereas the National League of Cities President and the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities have declared June 2025 as Small Cities Month;

Now, therefore, the Council of the City of Kinston does hereby proclaim June 2025 as

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and encourages Congress, state governments, organizations, businesses, and all citizens to recognize this event and work together this month and throughout the year to invest in small cities and towns, thereby improving the lives of all citizens.

A blue ink signature of Mayor Don Hardy, written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above the name "Mayor Don Hardy".

Mayor Don Hardy