

CITY OF KINSTON

Office of the Mayor



Proclamation **TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

Whereas, through their dedicated efforts to ensure our children learn the knowledge and skills needed to be successful in college, careers, and life, teachers are vital in building the future; and

Whereas, teachers open students' minds to ideas, knowledge, and opportunities and can change the lives of millions of children every day, their work has a lasting impact that extends far beyond the classroom, and

Whereas, because of the increasing diversity of students, teachers must be constantly learning so they may adapt to meet the ever-changing needs of young people in our schools; and

Whereas, teachers play a crucial role in shaping our children into the people they will become, supporting them through their youth and teaching lessons that have an impact on students they will carry through life; and

Whereas, the teaching profession benefits from educators who are empowered to lead within and beyond the classroom, allowing them to best prepare young people to become contributing members of our community, thereby strengthening our democracy; and

Whereas, we recognize teachers' countless sacrifices and hours spent planning, counseling, instructing, coaching, evaluating, and caring for their students in and outside the classroom; and

Whereas, many dedicated educators are working in Kinston-Lenoir County, putting in countless hours and extra effort to help students achieve, preparing them for further education, the workforce, and their civic duties;

Now, therefore, I, Don Hardy, Mayor of the City of Kinston, do hereby proclaim May 5-9, 2025,

"Teacher Appreciation Week"

in Kinston and commend its observance to all citizens on this 6th day of May 2025.

A blue ink signature of Mayor Don Hardy, written in a cursive style. Below the signature, the text "Mayor Don Hardy" is printed in a small, sans-serif font.

Mayor Don Hardy