

REGULAR MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021 – 1:00 P.M. CITY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS 324 WEST EVANS STREET FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

VII. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

- c. Resolution No. 2021-10
 A resolution to proclaim March 25, 2021 as Greek Independence Day.
- ** This item may be added to the April 12, 2021 City Council agenda by a twothirds vote of the members present and voting.

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: April 12, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: City Council

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

A Resolution to proclaim March 25, 2021 as Greek Independence Day.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- 1. On March 25, 1821, the people of Greece declared their independence from the Ottoman Empire.
- 2. Greece won their independence from the Ottoman Empire on September 14, 1829.
- 3. March 25, 2021 marks the Bicentennial of Greece's Independence from the rule of the Ottoman Empire.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

1. Proposed Resolution

Randall S. Osterman

City Manager

Resolution No. 2021-10

- WHEREAS, on March 25, 1821, the people of Greece declared their independence and liberty from the Ottoman Empire, which had occupied Greece for nearly 400 years; and
- WHEREAS, on that day, Bishop Germanos of Patras raised the Greek flag at the monastery of Agia Lavras, inciting the Peloponnese to rise against the Ottoman Empire; and
- WHEREAS, after many years of war, with the allied support of Great Britain, France and Russia, the people of Greece won their independence from the Ottoman Empire on September 14, 1829; and
- WHEREAS, with their new-found freedom, the Greek people began a migration to new homes all over the world, including the United States, the State of South Carolina and the City of Florence; and
- WHEREAS, Greek immigrants and their families assimilated to their new home of Florence, South Carolina and began building businesses; serving in local civic clubs and on boards and committees; serving in the US Armed Forces; starting the first chapter of the Evrytanian Association of America; and building The Holy Transfiguration of Our Savior Greek Orthodox Church; and
- WHEREAS, March 25, 2021 marks the Bicentennial of Greece's Independence from the rule of the Ottoman Empire; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, does hereby proclaim March 25, 2021 as

Greek Independence Day

in the City of Florence and urges all citizens to join in recognizing this day.

RESOLVED THIS 12TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021.

Approved as to form:	
JAMES W. PETERSON, JR. CITY ATTORNEY	TERESA MYERS ERVIN MAYOR
ATTEST:	
AMANDA P. POPE MUNICIPAL CLERK	_