

## Town of Blowing Rock

### Request for Council Action

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FROM: Teresa Shadoin  
SUBJECT: Daughters of the American Revolution – Constitution Week Proclamation  
TO: Mayor and Council  
DATE: October 9, 2018  
REQUESTED BY: Teresa Shadoin

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Public Hearing  Yes  No  Not required  NA  
Properly Advertised  Yes  No  Not required  NA

#### BACKGROUND:

The United States Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedoms and to ensure those inalienable rights to every American.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution. In 1965, DAR petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the US Congress and signed into public law on August 2, 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The aims of the celebration are to:

- Emphasize citizen's responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution.
- Inform people that the Constitution is the basis for American's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
- Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787

Constitution Week is a great time to learn more about this important document and celebrate the freedoms it gave us.

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution of Proclamation for Constitution Week

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:



## **Town of Blowing Rock Resolution of Proclamation for Constitution Week – Daniel Boone Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution**

**WHEREAS:** The Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to rule by law; and

**WHEREAS:** September 17, 2018, marks the two hundred and thirty-first anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

**WHEREAS:** It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate it; and

**WHEREAS:** Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

**NOW, THEREFORE I,** Charlie Sellers by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Blowing Rock do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as

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and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Blowing Rock to be affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018.

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Charlie Sellers, Mayor

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Hilari Hubner, Town Clerk