

The Town of Hilton Head Island

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the University of South Carolina Beaufort is a fully accredited, comprehensive, baccalaureate institution within the University of South Carolina System; and

WHEREAS, USCB provides specialized instruction in thirty-eight areas of study within twenty degree programs to fulfill its mission to respond to regional needs, draw upon regional strengths, and prepare graduates to contribute locally, nationally, and internationally; and

WHEREAS, USCB is a primary regional resource for exceptionally skilled health-care professionals, teachers, hospitality managers, science-based researchers and computational troubleshooters in the South Carolina Lowcountry; and

WHEREAS, USCB has a reputation for institutional prominence as a regional problem-solver, catalyst for progress, and engine for growth; and

WHEREAS, reports on the economic impact of higher education in Beaufort County indicate that 1,066 jobs, \$50.5 million in additional wage and salary income, \$122.4 million in economic output, and \$1.6 million in net government revenue are attributable to USCB each year; and

WHEREAS, this week USCB welcomes more than 2,100 students, their parents, and other family members, and friends to campuses in Bluffton, Beaufort, and Hilton Head Island and to athletic facilities in Hardeeville to start the 2020-2021 academic year.

NOW, THEREFORE, I **John J. McCann, Mayor** of the **Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina**, hereby proclaim the week of **August 18-25, 2020** as

USCB SAND SHARK WELCOME WEEK

in the Town of Hilton Head Island, and call on all citizens on the Island to welcome all of the students with open arms as they start the new academic year!

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of the Town of Hilton Head Island to be affixed on this thirtieth day of July, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty.

John J. McCann, Mayor

Attest:

Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk