

*The Town of Hilton Head Island*

# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 50,000 Americans and 1 million people worldwide have been diagnosed with tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC), a genetic disease with no cure; and

**WHEREAS**, tuberous sclerosis complex is often a devastating disorder that causes tumors to form in vital organs, including the brain, heart, kidneys, skin, liver and lungs; and

**WHEREAS**, the disease is also the leading genetic cause of both epilepsy and autism; and

**WHEREAS**, tuberous sclerosis complex affects some people severely, and others so mildly it often goes undiagnosed; and

**WHEREAS**, the incidence of TSC is as common as Lou Gehrig's disease (ALS) or cystic fibrosis, so increased awareness is vital; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance and other groups around the world have joined together to promote awareness of the disorder to ensure people with TSC get the best possible treatment and proper diagnosis.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, John J. McCann, Mayor of the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 15, 2021 as:

## TUBEROUS SCLEROSIS COMPLEX GLOBAL AWARENESS DAY

*in the Town of Hilton Head Island and urge all of our citizens to support the search for a cure and assist those individuals and families who deal with this challenging disease on a daily basis.*

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of the Town of Hilton Head Island to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-one.

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*John J. McCann, Mayor*

*Attest:*

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*Krista M. Wiedmeyer, Town Clerk*