



Proclamation

*On a motion from Councilor Ennis Fant
Members of Greenville County Council wish to celebrate*

Fatherhood

And the South Carolina Center for Fathers and Families

WHEREAS, fathers are the cornerstone of strong families, providing love, guidance, and support to their children; and

WHEREAS, the positive impact of fathers on their children's development cannot be overstated, as they instill values, encourage growth, and foster resilience; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Center for Fathers and Families, established in 2002, has been a beacon of support, equipping tens of thousands of fathers across our state with the resources and knowledge needed to embrace responsible fatherhood; and

WHEREAS, the long public-private partnership between the Center and state, local, and private agencies, has led to the Center's expansion and innovation of programs to serve more dads better; and

WHEREAS, the Center has developed and expanded the reach of its network of five regional fatherhood organizations, including A Father's Place, Man 2 Man, Midlands Fatherhood Coalition, A Father's Way and Upstate Fatherhood Coalition; and

WHEREAS, when fathers actively lead and engage with their children, these young lives flourish socially, emotionally, and academically; and

WHEREAS, the Center continues to serve as a model for fatherhood initiatives nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the month of June provides an opportunity for all citizens of South Carolina to celebrate and honor the joys of fatherhood, recognizing the tireless efforts of fathers in shaping the future of our communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, Greenville County Council does hereby proclaim the month of June 2024 as

The Joy of Fatherhood Month

throughout the county and encourage all our residents to express gratitude for the fathers in their lives, celebrate their contributions, and to promote the active involvement of fathers in children's lives to enhance the lives of our young people, build better citizens, and strengthen South Carolina families and communities.

Signed this 4th day of June, 2024

Dan Tripp, Chairman
Greenville County Council

