

## TOWN OF CLAYTON PROCLAMATION - FLAG DAY

**WHEREAS**, by Act of Congress of the United States dated, June 14, 1777, the first official Flag of the United States was adopted; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1916, a grass roots movement resulted in President Woodrow Wilson issuing a proclamation that called for a nationwide observance of Flag Day on June 14; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 3, 1949, President Harry Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14 of each year as "National Flag Day;" and

**WHEREAS**, the American flag is also affectionately known as "Old Glory" or "star-spangled banner;" and

**WHEREAS**, the thirteen stripes commemorate the original 13 colonies and the 50 stars represent each state of the Union; and

**WHEREAS**, Flag Day celebrates our nation's symbol of unity and democracy, and stands for our country's devotion to freedom to the rule of all, and to equal rights for all.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED** by the Honorable Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clayton, North Carolina, that June 14, 2011, be recognized as "**Flag Day**" and we urge all citizens to celebrate Flag Day by flying the Stars and Stripes from their homes and other suitable places.

Duly proclaimed this 6th day of June 2011, while in regular session.

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Jody L. McLeod,  
Mayor