



Town of Kitty Hawk

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Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina Declaring the Live Oak as the Official Town Tree

WHEREAS, the Town of Kitty Hawk recognizes the importance of celebrating its natural environment, including the native trees that contribute to the town's unique coastal character and ecological health; and

WHEREAS, the live oak (*Quercus virginiana*) is a native species to the coastal regions of North Carolina and is deeply rooted in the history, culture, and landscape of the Outer Banks; and

WHEREAS, live oaks provide critical environmental benefits, including shoreline stabilization, wind and storm protection, wildlife habitat, and natural beauty that enhances the community's sense of place and scenic quality; and

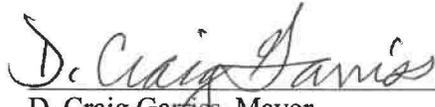
WHEREAS, the majestic canopy of the live oak represents resilience, strength, and longevity—qualities that reflect the spirit and values of the citizens of Kitty Hawk; and

WHEREAS, many of the live oaks within the Town have stood for generations and are a source of pride and identity for residents and visitors alike;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Town of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, that the **live oak (*Quercus virginiana*)** is hereby declared the **official tree of the Town of Kitty Hawk**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this designation shall serve to promote public awareness, education, and conservation efforts regarding the significance of live oaks within our community and their protection for future generations.

PASSED this 2nd day of June 2025


D. Craig Garriss, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lauren Fox Garrett, Town Clerk



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