Morehead City
North Carolina

Gerald A. Jones Jr., Mayor

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION
Hyperbaric Awareness Week
May 27-31, 2024

WHEREAS, more than 8 million people in the United States that are living with chronic wounds lack awareness of the advanced wound care and benefits of **Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy**, leaving them without access to life changing care; and

WHEREAS, **Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy** is a proven treatment option for wounds, infections or injuries that have not responded to standard treatment; and

WHEREAS, there are currently fifteen indications for **Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy** recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and other third-party payors; and

WHEREAS, **Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy** is most commonly used for the treatment of diabetic ulcers of lower extremities, radiation injury to bone or tissue, compromised grafts and flaps and chronic refractory osteomyelitis; and

WHEREAS, **Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy** has emerged as a treatment option for patients who suffer from late cancer radiation tissue injury by stimulating growth of new blood vessels; and

WHEREAS, **Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy** provides necessary oxygenation to benefit the 37 million people in the United States with diabetes preventing ulcers that could result in amputation; and

WHEREAS, Hyperbaric Awareness USA and the Hyperbaric Aware Campaign aim to spread national, statewide, and local awareness of available treatment options for people suffering from radiation injury, chronic wounds and diabetes, thus prolonging lives, avoiding amputations, reducing the cost of care, and improving quality of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gerald A. Jones, Jr., Mayor of the Town of Morehead City, do hereby proclaim **May 27-31, 2024**, as **Hyperbaric Awareness Week** in Morehead City and call upon the citizens of Morehead City to observe the week by seeking information about this medical treatment.

Dated this, the 13th day of May, 2024.

Gerald A. Jones, Jr., Mayor

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