

Proclamation
Archives Awareness Month
October 2015

WHEREAS, much of our city's rich and diverse heritage is contained in the documents and records created by and for the people; and

WHEREAS, state and local governments, religious and medical institutions, colleges and universities, libraries, historical societies, museums, businesses and families throughout the area have established archives as a means of preserving our written history; and

WHEREAS, these archives collectively contain over 300 years of unique materials, ranging from hand-written letters and diaries to typewritten manuscripts, photographs, videotapes and modern electronic data systems; and

WHEREAS, archivists and manuscript curators in the City of Clemson, both professional and volunteer alike, are dedicated to responsibly preserving the historical word, maintaining records in the public trust, and making those records available for study and appreciation whether in a local repository or via the Internet; and

WHEREAS, through these archives, future generations of Clemsonians can more accurately study the past, learn from the accomplishments of their predecessors, trace their ancestors, understand their community's pride of place, confirm property rights, and maintain laws while celebrating the history of our state.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, J.C. Cook, III, Mayor of the City of Clemson, South Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month October 2015, as "Archives Awareness Month".

FURTHERMORE, I encourage all citizens to participate in activities to be held in Clemson, South Carolina; and other awareness events planned during the month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the great seal of the City to be affixed this 21st day of September, 2015.

J.C. Cook, III, Mayor

Beverly A. Coleman, C.M.C.