



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS:** Apple Harvest Day began in 1985 as a small craft fair on Orchard Street in downtown Dover, fostering community spirit and celebrating the bounty of the fall season; and
- WHEREAS:** Over the past 40 years, this beloved festival has blossomed into a vibrant, blocks-long street celebration featuring 300 vendors, two food courts, two entertainment stages, a thrilling 5K road race with over 500 participants, and a dedicated KidsZone, bringing joy to families and friends alike; and
- WHEREAS:** Apple Harvest Day draws approximately 60,000 attendees each year, significantly contributing to the local, regional, and state economies, and attracting visitors from across the country who incorporate this event into their fall foliage tours; and
- WHEREAS:** More than 100 dedicated volunteers generously donate their time and efforts each year to ensure the success of this cherished event, showcasing the true spirit of community; and
- WHEREAS:** The festival has made inclusivity a priority by incorporating a family respite area and a calm room, ensuring that all attendees can enjoy the festivities in a welcoming environment; and
- WHEREAS:** Vendors from all over New England gather to share their crafts and products, enhancing the festival experience for attendees and celebrating local talent; and
- WHEREAS:** The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, in close partnership with the City of Dover, has tirelessly worked to produce this remarkable festival, now proudly celebrating its 40th anniversary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert Carrier, Mayor of the City of Dover in the State of New Hampshire, recognize and honor this significant milestone, and encourage all residents and visitors to join in the celebration. Let us commemorate the spirit of community, the beauty of the harvest, and the joy of togetherness that Apple Harvest Day brings to our lives.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dover to be affixed this 9th Day of October, 2024.

Robert Carrier, Mayor
City of Dover, New Hampshire