

# City of Charlotte, North Carolina Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, ASHRAE (The American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers) ([www.ashrae.org](http://www.ashrae.org)) is an international engineering society whose mission is "To serve humanity by advancing the arts and sciences of heating, ventilation, air conditioning, refrigeration and their allied fields;" and

**WHEREAS**, ASHRAE's vision is "A healthy and sustainable built environment for all;" and

**WHEREAS**, the local Charlotte Chapter of ASHRAE (called the Southern Piedmont Chapter), represented by Chapter President Don Gariepy, in partnership with UNC Charlotte's William States Lee College of Engineering, represented by Dean Rob Keynton, and UNC Charlotte's Facilities Management's Department, represented by Associate Vice Chancellor Jon Varnell, will be having a virtual meeting for its members and distinguished guests in which they will be hosting the international President of the ASHRAE Society, Mr. Chuck Gulledge as the featured guest and keynote speaker, in honor of National Engineer's Week.

**WHEREAS**, every February, engineers around the world celebrate National Engineers Week; National Engineers Week was founded by the National Society of Professional Engineers in 1951 and is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of and interest in engineering and technology careers:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Vi Alexander Lyles, Mayor of Charlotte, do hereby proclaim the week of February 21 -28, 2021 as

## "NATIONAL ENGINEERS WEEK"

in Charlotte and commend its observance to all citizens.

**WITNESS MY HAND** and the official Seal of the City of Charlotte.



*Vi Alexander Lyles*  
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Mayor