

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
CITY OF WALHALLA
RESOLUTION 2025-10**

**A RESOLUTION HONORING CHARLIE KIRK IN HONOR OF HIS FAITH, HIS
CONTRIBUTIONS TO CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, YOUTH LEADERSHIP, AND FREE
SPEECH ADVOCACY**

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk was a prominent conservative activist, a man of faith, and the founder of Turning Point USA, a national nonprofit organization he launched in 2012 at only 18 years of age with a mission to educate, train, and organize students to promote freedom and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk not only inspired countless young Americans to participate in the democratic process but also openly shared his Christian faith, speaking boldly about the hope of the Gospel and the eternal truths of God's Word; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk's courage flowed from his unshakable Christian faith, which he never hesitated to proclaim in public and private alike; and

WHEREAS, through his leadership of Turning Point USA, Charlie Kirk encouraged a new generation to engage in civic life, always reminding them that liberty and faith are intertwined and that moral courage is as essential to freedom as civic duty; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk was a passionate advocate for free speech and open debate, frequently visiting college campuses and hosting events that championed the free exchange of ideas, including his "Prove Me Wrong" forums where students of all perspectives were invited into dialogue; and

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2025, while addressing students during an event at Utah Valley University in Orem, Utah, Charlie Kirk was gunned down in a vile act of political violence meant to silence truth and intimidate free people; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk leaves behind a loving wife and two young children, and Walhalla City Council extends its deepest condolences to his family, loved ones, and the many thousands of young people he mentored and inspired; and

WHEREAS, the Walhalla City Council condemns this heinous attack, recognizing that political violence has no place in a free society and that the answer to division is not hatred but open dialogue grounded in respect and truth; and

WHEREAS, the Walhalla City Council affirms the fundamental importance of faith, family, and freedom, and recognizes Charlie Kirk's lifelong commitment to sharing his faith, defending liberty, and encouraging civil discourse; and

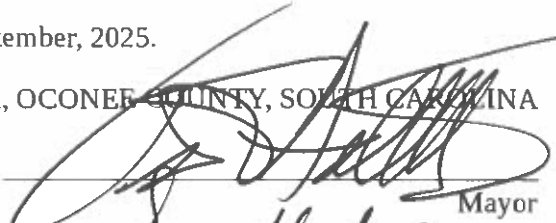
WHEREAS, the ideals for which Charlie Kirk stood – including freedom of speech, civic engagement, and the empowerment of young leaders – reflect the shared American values that unite us as a community and a nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Walhalla City Council, in meeting duly assembled, does hereby honor the life and legacy of Charlie Kirk, condemn the act of violence that took his life – along with all forms of political violence – and reaffirm its commitment to fostering civil discourse, protecting the freedom of speech, and preserving the principles of liberty rooted in faith.


BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Walhalla City Council does hereby designate September 21, 2025, as “Charlie Kirk Day of Remembrance” in Walhalla, and encourages all citizens to reflect on his life, his faith, and his contributions to our nation, and to recommit themselves to the values of faith, freedom, and respectful dialogue that he championed.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of September, 2025.

WALHALLA, OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

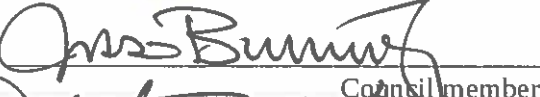

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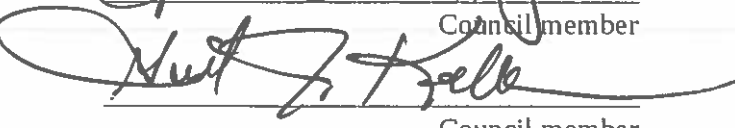

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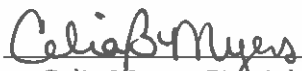

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Attest: 
Celia Myers, City Administrator
Walhalla, South Carolina