

PROCLAMATION SOUL OF CVILLE FESTIVAL

- **WHEREAS,** Soul of Cville is a celebration that honors the rich cultural heritage, vibrant arts, and community spirit that makes Albemarle County unique; and
- WHEREAS, Soul of Cville serves as a platform for fostering unity, promoting diversity, and supporting local businesses the 2025 theme being "Firmly Planted, Fiercely Flourishing"; and
- WHEREAS, the low cost to free, family-friendly Soul of Cville festival returns to IX Art Park from August 10–17, 2025, uniting residents and visitors from all backgrounds and walks of life to enjoy a diverse array of performances, food, award recognition, scholarship giveaway and activities; and
- WHEREAS, the 2025 celebration marks the fifth anniversary of Soul of Cville, a collaborative effort with the IX Art Park and various Black-owned businesses that seek to amplify the voices of local artists, musicians, entrepreneurs, and engaged community members and contribute to the economic development of the city and county.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that we, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, endorse the values of inclusivity and cultural appreciation and encourage community members to participate in the wide range of Soul of Cville festival activities from August 10 through August 17.

Signed this 6th day of August 2025.	
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_	Jim H. Andrews, Chair
	Albemarle Board of County Supervisors