City of Statesville, North Carolina

Office of the Mayor Proclamation

2025 Stop the Violence Cookout August 23, 2025

WHEREAS, since its creation in 2014, the Stop the Violence Cookout, organized by Clean Hearts of Statesville, has served as a community-driven effort to strengthen relationships, promote safety, and work toward a shared vision of a peaceful Statesville; and

WHEREAS, the event has grown over the years through the dedication of Clean Hearts of Statesville and the support of faith leaders, local businesses, law enforcement, and community partners who share a commitment to reducing violence and building unity; and

WHEREAS, the Stop the Violence Cookout provides an opportunity for residents to come together, enjoy fellowship, and highlight the importance of education, awareness, and cooperation in creating a safer city for all; and

WHEREAS, the City of Statesville is proud to support this annual gathering, recognizing its role in fostering mutual respect, understanding, and a sense of belonging among our citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Constantine H. Kutteh, Mayor of the City of Statesville, do hereby recognize and express our support for the **2025 Stop the Violence Cookout**, to be held on **Saturday, August 23, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM** at Kimbrough Park, and encourage all residents to take part in this event and remain committed to advancing peace, safety, and unity in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have set my Hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Statesville to be affixed this 18th day of August 2025

Constantine H. Kutteh, Mayor

