



State of South Carolina )  
 County of Horry )  
 Town of Surfside Beach )

*Proclamation #21-135*

## *Richard Sexton Day*

WHEREAS, volunteering one’s time and resources has traditionally been, and continues to be, an elemental part of the essence and tradition of our country and is essential to its spirit and vitality. Richard Sexton epitomizes voluntarism by devoting his time and resources through the creation and launch of the Carolinas CAN Ruck for Autism to further the work of Champion Autism Network and

WHEREAS, Richard worked tirelessly by running a marathon a day for 30 days--750 miles—across North and South Carolina, braving the elements, wildlife, and daily logistical challenges, all while carrying a 25-pound slam ball and

WHEREAS, Richard sacrificed physically, financially, and emotionally to honor those individuals and families who are affected by autism and face its challenges every day, to broaden awareness, further to bolster the community support network available to them and

WHEREAS, Richard physically trained in preparation for 8 months leading up to the month-long feat, pushing his body and mind to the limit while never losing sight of his goal and reminding himself of the difference he could make in the lives of others by persisting and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Hellyer, Mayor of the Town of Surfside Beach, S.C., present a key to the City and do hereby proclaim Wednesday, May 26th, 2021 as:

### *Richard Sexton Day*

in the Town of Surfside Beach, and honor and thank Richard for being a dedicated friend of our community who gives so freely of his valuable time, energy, and abilities.

PROCLAIMED this 25th day of May 2021.

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 The Hon. Robert Hellyer, Mayor

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 David L. Pellegrino, Town Council

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 Bruce Dietrich, Town Council

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 Debbie Scoles, Mayor Pro Tempore

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 Paul Holder, Town Council

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 Michael Drake, Town Council

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 Cindy Keating, Town Council

Attest:

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 Sheri L Medina, Town Clerk