

**CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT  
MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING  
ELLEN SIVRET**

WHEREAS, The Mathewson Playground, founded in 1930's, located in downtown Barre at the intersection of Elm Street, Summer Street, and Franklin Street is a playground that has been used by thousands of children; and

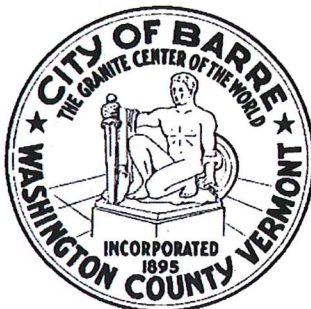
WHEREAS, Ellen Sivret has taken an active role and volunteered hundreds of hours in the Mathewson Playground going back to when the neighborhood school still used the playground, as a member of the parent's group, and played a major role in the improved safety and play conditions at the playground in the 1990's; and

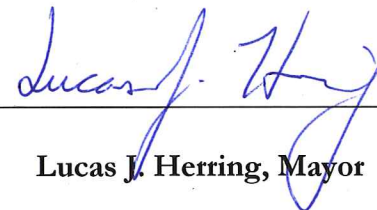
WHEREAS, Ellen Sivret has secured funding to improve the granite wall, guardrails, fencing, ground cover, new swings, and a flood light over the playground by meeting with City Council, the Recreation Board, Service Clubs and other community leaders, while also writing and receiving two grants; and

WHEREAS, Ellen Sivret has created a successful neighborhood playground committee that meets on a regular basis to prune trees and flowers on the bank, fundraise and plan activities, engage the Children's Library to run programs in the park, report vandalism, and gather each year for a clean-up effort; and

WHEREAS, because of her efforts as a member of the Friends of the Mathewson Playground, Ellen Sivret was nominated for the VRPA Unsung Hero of the Year Award.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Lucas J. Herring, Mayor of the City of Barre, Vermont, do hereby proclaim September 19th, 2018, as Ellen Sivret Day and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of giving back to her community through her volunteering and dedication on this day.



  
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Lucas J. Herring, Mayor