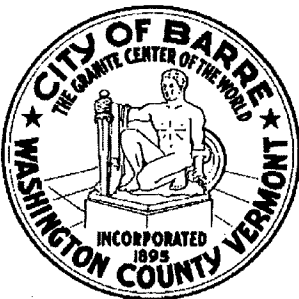


**CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
MAYORAL PROCLAMATION**

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING
RESTORATION OF THE REYNOLDS HOUSE**

- WHEREAS, The Reynolds House located in the south end of the City of Barre, Vermont, at 102 South Main Street, with an attached carriage barn and small gazebo, was constructed at the height of Barre's economic boom at the tail end of the 19th century by George J. Reynolds; and
- WHEREAS, constructed from 1892-1898 in the Victorian style, the Reynolds House is a wood frame residential structure with a Barre granite foundation, a wood-shingled mansard roof, shingle siding along the front façade, and the carriage barn is punctuated by a vented cupola and acorn-shaped shingles; and
- WHEREAS, On the southwest gable end of the carriage barn the words "G. J. Reynolds 1892" are painted on embossed cladding surrounded by a sunburst pattern of trim and clapboards; and
- WHEREAS, George J. Reynolds died just a year after the house was completed and his son William took over the family business and home with his wife Anna and three daughters: Cleora, Leone, and Anita, who all grew up in the house; and
- WHEREAS, Cleora inherited the Reynold's House and, after passing in 1995, the residence was purchased from her sister Anita in 1996 and converted into a bed and breakfast; and
- WHEREAS, a fire in 2014 damaged a large part of the carriage barn, a portion of the rear facade, and some of the interior elements of the library, dining room, reception room, kitchen, pantry, storage rooms, bedrooms 5&6, and rear exterior porches; and
- WHEREAS, after sitting vacant for nearly 2 years after the fire, the property fell into disrepair, destroying the functioning infrastructure and some interior aspects not damaged by the fire, but many ornate features survived; and
- WHEREAS, Thomas J. and Karen Lauzon purchased the Reynold's House in 2016, restoring the house and the carriage barn in accordance to its historic nature, and have leased the building to Eric and Jeffrey Tuper-Giles to once again become a Bed and Breakfast;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Lucas J. Herring, Mayor of the City of Barre, Vermont, do hereby proclaim May 20th, 2019, as Reynold's House Day in the City of Barre and encourage residents to recognize the efforts made to this historic and blighted property into a newly restored Bed and Breakfast.



Lucas J. Herring

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