



## COUNTY OF YORK, VIRGINIA

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# PROCLAMATION

## *USS Yorktown 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Commissioning*

*WHEREAS, on September 28, 1781, General George Washington led the combined troops of the Continental and French armies victoriously against General Cornwallis's British fortifications in Yorktown, Virginia, marking the final decisive battle of the Revolutionary War; and*

*WHEREAS, five U.S. Navy warships have been named Yorktown in commemoration of Washington's victorious battle, the first being a "sloop of war" commissioned in 1840; and*

*WHEREAS, the third and most renowned Yorktown (CV 5) vessel was commissioned in 1937, and played an integral role in turning the tide for the Allies in the Pacific Theater campaign of World War II; and*

*WHEREAS, the fifth and current vessel commissioned as the USS Yorktown on July 4, 1984 at the Yorktown Naval Weapons Station was moved from Norfolk to its current homeport of Pascagoula, Mississippi where it has and continues to play a critical role in the war against illegal drugs; and*

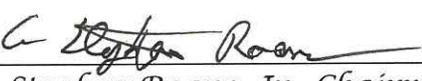
*WHEREAS, over the continued life of the fifth Naval vessel commissioned as the USS Yorktown (CG 48), it has been awarded two Navy Unit Commendations, a Meritorious Unit Commendation, three Joint Meritorious Unit Commendations and is a six-time winner of the coveted Battle Efficiency Award.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the USS Yorktown is commended on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its commissioning by the York County Board of Supervisors and is celebrated for its enduring legacy in fortifying our nation and upholding the finest traditions of the United States Navy.*

*BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Board offers its sincere congratulations and heartfelt gratitude to the USS Yorktown Association and all those who have served aboard this remarkable vessel.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County of York, Virginia, to be affixed this 20th day of August, 2024.*



  
G. Stephen Roane, Jr., Chairman  
York County Board of Supervisors