



# *PROCLAMATION*

For

**Helen Elizabeth Meighen**

**WHEREAS**, Helen Elizabeth (Murdock) Meighen was born on a farm in Greene County, Pennsylvania and attended grammar school in a one-room schoolhouse; and

**WHEREAS**, Helen is a graduate of Carnegie Tech Institute (now Carnegie Mellon University) where she majored in fine arts; and

**WHEREAS**, as a member of the Artists Guild of Pittsburgh, one of her oil paintings was displayed in the Carnegie Museum of Art in Pittsburgh; and

**WHEREAS**, Helen was married to James B. Meighen for 55 years and raised 4 children while living in Monongahela, Pennsylvania; and

**WHEREAS**, while living in Monongahela, she was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the Monongahela Valley Chapter of the Daughters American Revolution, the Mother's Club, and many other organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, in the early days of Helen's marriage, she worked part time for a local photography studio, tinting photos. She also continued to paint and was an accomplished pianist; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1999, her husband of 55 years passed away, and in 2004, Helen moved to the Seabrook assisted living community to be near her oldest daughter, Nancy (& Jack) Biel, who are residents of Sea Pines in Hilton Head Island; and

**WHEREAS**, at Hilton Head Island, Helen is a beloved member of the Seabrook community, taking part in many activities, including Bingo, card games, and played piano for her weekly devotional group. She also regularly attended Stain Andrews By-the-Sea United Methodist Church and local Daughters of the American Revolution meetings.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Beaufort County Council joins the Meighen Family in celebrating

**Helen Elizabeth (Murdock) Meighen 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday!**

Dated this 13th day of March, 2017.



D. Paul Sommerville, Chairman  
Beaufort County Council