STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

ASHE COUNTY

Clerk to the Board

A PROCLAMATION DECLARING DECEMBER 2021 ROUND UP FOR PADDY MOUNTAIN MONTH

WHEREAS, Paddy Mountain is the backdrop to West Jefferson's downtown and offers Ashe County's citizens and visitors an unspoiled and scenic view; and

WHEREAS, Ashe County recognizes the historical, cultural, scenic, ecological and recreational importance of Paddy Mountain; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Ashe County need open space for people of all ages and abilities to recreate which is beneficial for promoting physical activity, lowering stress and improving emotional health; and

WHEREAS, protecting Paddy Mountain will provide economic value to our county; and

WHEREAS, Blue Ridge Conservancy is partnering with Ashe County and the Town of West Jefferson as well as local businesses and individuals to purchase 153 acres on the north side of Paddy Mountain to preserve the mountain for public access;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Ashe County Board of Commissioners encourage all local businesses to participate in the December 2021 Round Up for Paddy Mountain to raise private funds to be applied to the purchase price of acquiring this invaluable tract of land; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Ashe County Board of Commissioners encourage every visitor and citizen patronizing Ashe County businesses to Round Up their bill to the nearest dollar to go toward the purchase of Paddy Mountain.

ADOPTED by the Ashe County Board	of Commissioners on thisday of December, 2021.
	Todd McNeill, Chair Ashe County Board of Commissioners
ATTEST:	