



Huntsville, Alabama

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Department: City Council

Subject:

Type of Action: Approval/Action

Resolution Honoring the North Alabama Railroad Museum on the Occasion of Its 60th Anniversary.

Resolution No.

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City Cost Amount: N/A

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Special Circumstances:

Grant Funded: N/A

Grant Title - CFDA or granting Agency: N/A

Resolution #: N/A

Location: (list below)

Address: N/A

District: District 1 ☐ District 2 ☐ District 3 ☐ District 4 ☐ District 5 ☐

Additional Comments:

N/A

RESOLUTION NO. 26 -

WHEREAS, the City Council and the Mayor of Huntsville, Alabama, recognize the North Alabama Railroad Museum (NARM) as a treasured historical and educational institution that has preserved and promoted the rich railroad heritage of North Alabama for six decades; and

WHEREAS, the North Alabama Railroad Museum was founded in July 1966 in Tuscumbia, Alabama, by dedicated volunteers committed to preserving railroad history for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Museum relocated to its current home at 694 Chase Road in Huntsville during the 1980s, where it established a permanent presence and expanded its mission of railroad preservation and education; and

WHEREAS, through the purchase of five miles of abandoned railway right-of-way and the successful restoration and reconstruction of that rail line, the North Alabama Railroad Museum created a unique opportunity for residents and visitors to experience authentic historic train excursions throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, the Museum serves as an important educational resource by hosting annual school field trips that teach young people about railroad history, rail safety, and the significant role railroads have played in the development of our nation and region; and

WHEREAS, the North Alabama Railroad Museum preserves and displays an impressive collection of historic railroad equipment, including a Railway Post Office car, a military hospital car that served during the Korean War, a Baldwin locomotive, a 1949 Pullman sleeper coach, and a 1945 locomotive originally built for the United States Army, providing the public with a tangible connection to our nation's transportation and military history; and

WHEREAS, for sixty years the North Alabama Railroad Museum has enriched the cultural life of the Huntsville community through the dedication of its volunteers, the preservation of historic artifacts, and its commitment to education and heritage tourism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council and the Mayor of Huntsville, Alabama, do hereby congratulate and honor the North Alabama Railroad Museum as it celebrates its 60th Anniversary, and express sincere appreciation for its longstanding commitment to preserving railroad history, educating future generations, and enhancing the cultural and historical heritage of the Huntsville community and the State of Alabama.

ADOPTED this the ____ day of _____, 2026.

President of the City Council of the
City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama