



PROCLAMATION

Honoring Brantley M. Abbott

WHEREAS, on the 9th day of July 2024, 12-year-old Brantley M. Abbott displayed extraordinary bravery and quick actions that saved the life of Aaron Miller, who was swimming in Lake Jackson and experienced a seizure, rendering him face down and unresponsive in the water; and

WHEREAS, Brantley M. Abbott, without hesitation, swam over to Aaron Miller, turned him onto his back, and kept his head above water by laying it on her shoulder, thereby preventing him from drowning and potentially saving his life; and

WHEREAS, Brantley M. Abbott, while maintaining Aaron Miller's safety, courageously swam towards the shore, ensuring that Aaron remained above water until further assistance could be provided; and

WHEREAS the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) report that drowning is the leading cause of unintentional injury and death for children aged 1-4 and the second leading cause for children aged 5-14 in the United States, making Brantley's quick and decisive actions even more significant in preventing a potential tragedy; and

WHEREAS, Brantley's heroism serves as an inspiration to the entire community, exemplifying the highest standards of civic responsibility and personal courage and highlighting the importance of water safety; and

WHEREAS the City of McDonough is deeply grateful for Brantley M. Abbott's life-saving actions and proud to recognize her as an exemplary citizen and hero within our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sandra Vincent, Mayor of the City of McDonough, do hereby proclaim July 23rd, 2024, as

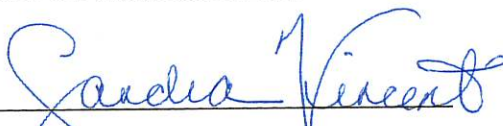
Brantley M. Abbott Day

in the City of McDonough, in honor of her heroic actions and exceptional bravery. We celebrate and commend Brantley for her life-saving actions and her positive impact on our community.

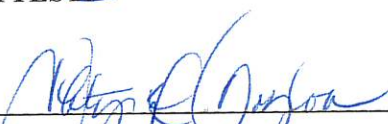
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Sandra Vincent, Mayor, on behalf of the McDonough City Council, do hereby present and set my hand and cause the Corporate Seal of the City of McDonough to be affixed this 22nd day of July 2024.



CITY OF MCDONOUGH


SANDRA VINCENT, MAYOR

ATTEST:


CHRISTY L. TAYLOR, CITY CLERK