

WHEREAS, Maurice Wheeler served the City of Berlin for 44 years, first as a Public Works employee and then as its Public Works Director; and

WHEREAS, Maurice was an enthusiastic supporter of running having run two marathons as well as two Mount Washington road races among many other running events; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, the Berlin High School Track and Field teams were running on a painted track on the grass at Memorial Field; and

WHEREAS, runners and their coaching staff had a dream of a first class running venue in Berlin, NH; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Wheeler, in conjunction with Recreation & Parks, Berlin Public Works, the High School Athletic Department and a team of volunteers, was instrumental in the design and construction of a 400 meter stone dust running track at Berlin High School; and

WHEREAS, the running track was eventually paved, rubberized, and lined, allowing runners to train on a professional surface in one of the most picturesque tracks in the State.

IN HONOR AND IN THANKS the Mayor and Council of the City of Berlin hereby proclaim that the Flag Ceremony at the 2017 Homecoming Celebration is dedicated to Maurice Wheeler – "He Made a Dream a Reality"

Paul Grenier, Mayor	