

**ORDINANCE NO. 26-87**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Huntsville, Alabama, is constructing a 3-acre arboretum in John Hunt Park that will expand educational and recreational opportunities in the City; and

**WHEREAS** Joy McKee served our community and the City of Huntsville for 22 years, culminating in her career as the Director of the Landscape Management Department where she led efforts to substantially expand the City's natural public spaces, tree canopy, and nature-based recreation and educational offerings; and

**WHEREAS** Ms. McKee served for 28 years on the board of Operation Green Team and 26 years on the City's Beautification Board thereby successfully leading efforts to improve environmental conservation and beauty throughout the Huntsville area; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, desires to name the arboretum in honor of Joy McKee to recognize her contributions to the City of Huntsville community.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, that, upon the completion of the arboretum, the said facility located at the intersection of Airport Road and Alex McAllister Drive SW and bound on the north and west sides by the Loretta P. Spencer Sports Complex shall be officially known as the "Joy McKee Arboretum".

**ADOPTED** this the 12th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Jennie Robinson  
President of the City Council  
of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

**APPROVED** this the 12th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Tommy Battle  
Mayor of the City of Huntsville,  
Alabama