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## **PROCLAMATION**

### **Honoring Oatley's Top Shop & Richard Oatley**

**WHEREAS**, Oatley's Top Shop has proudly served the Town of Galena and surrounding Chesapeake Bay region for sixty (60) years, providing quality canvas products and contributing to the maritime heritage of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, this milestone represents decades of dedication, craftsmanship, and commitment to excellence, making Oatley's Top Shop a valued and recognizable part of Galena's small business community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Galena is further honored to recognize the founder, Richard Oatley, on the occasion of his ninetieth (90th) birthday, celebrating a lifetime of hard work, entrepreneurship, and service; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Oatley's legacy is reflected not only in the success of his business, but in the lasting relationships and positive impact he has made within the Town and the broader region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Galena takes pride in celebrating local businesses and individuals whose contributions help define the character, history, and spirit of our community;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Tyler J. Carpenter, Mayor of the Town of Galena, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2026 as a day of recognition in the Town of Galena, Maryland, in honor of the 60th Anniversary of Oatley's Top Shop and the 90th Birthday of Richard Oatley, and I urge all residents to join in celebrating this remarkable achievement and legacy.

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Tyler J. Carpenter, Mayor

Date: May 2, 2026