



BOROUGH OF
LEWISBURG
PENNSYLVANIA

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

“Proclamation Celebrating the Bucknell University BizPitch Competition and the Entrepreneurial Spirit of Lewisburg and the Susquehanna River Valley”

WHEREAS, entrepreneurship is the spark that turns bold ideas into thriving businesses, strengthens local economies, and inspires individuals to imagine new possibilities for their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lewisburg has long embraced a spirit of innovation and creativity, reflected in its vibrant downtown filled with independent small businesses, cafés, restaurants, retailers, and makers whose entrepreneurial energy contributes to the unique character and vitality of our community; and

WHEREAS, Bucknell University plays an important role in cultivating the next generation of innovators, problem-solvers, and business leaders through programs that challenge students to think creatively and pursue ventures that create value for society; and

WHEREAS, the Bucknell University BizPitch Competition, to be held on April 13, and hosted on campus by Bucknell's Perricelli-Gegnas Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation, celebrates student entrepreneurship by providing a platform for aspiring founders to share their ideas, refine their ventures, and connect with mentors, investors, and community leaders who believe in the power of innovation; and

WHEREAS, this event embodies the collaborative spirit of Lewisburg and the broader Susquehanna River Valley, where universities, small businesses, economic development organizations, community groups, and regional partners work together to cultivate an ecosystem where entrepreneurship is encouraged, supported, and celebrated; and

WHEREAS, by nurturing entrepreneurial talent and supporting new ideas, the BizPitch Competition contributes to a future in which creativity, opportunity, and enterprise continue to flourish throughout Lewisburg, the Susquehanna River Valley, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kendy Alvarez, Mayor of the Borough of Lewisburg, do hereby proudly recognize April 13, 2026, as Bucknell BizPitch Day in the Borough of Lewisburg, and invite residents, businesses, students, and visitors to celebrate the innovators, entrepreneurs, and community partners whose ideas, ambition, and collaboration help shape a vibrant and prosperous future for our region.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Borough of Lewisburg to be affixed this 17th day of March, 2026.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kendy Alvarez', is written over a faint circular seal. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Kendy Alvarez
Mayor, Borough of Lewisburg
March 17, 2026