

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Proclamation

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH | 2022

WHEREAS, Women's History Month, a celebration of women and their contributions to history, culture, and society, has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987; and

WHEREAS, during Women's History Month, the rich history of women and girls of all races, ethnicities, and backgrounds are celebrated; and

WHEREAS, the true history of America reveals generations of trailblazing women leaders whose courage, strength, and vision that has built and transformed our country; and

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and many other American and international movements; and

WHEREAS, despite the undeniable impact women have made in history, significant work remains to ensure full equality and access for women and girls everywhere; and

WHEREAS, every woman has a story to tell and gifts to share with the world; and

WHEREAS, a little extra attention is given to women during Women's History Month, however, it important to understand that countless women and girls have been undervalued and inadequately recognized for their contributions to our community, our nation, and our world; and

WHEREAS, women must refuse to be silenced and their stories of achievement must be told.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Brenda A. Howerton on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners do hereby proclaim the month of March 2022 as

"WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH"

in Durham County, North Carolina, and call upon all citizens to observe and celebrate the successes of women and to mark this month with appropriate observances honoring endless possibilities of women and girls everywhere.

This the 14th day of March, 2022

Brenda A. Howerton, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

