

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Proclamation

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH | 2018

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, counties move America forward by providing health care, administering justice, keeping communities safe, creating economic opportunities and much more; and

WHEREAS, Durham County Government and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, through National Association of Counties President Roy Charles Brooks' "Serving the Underserved" initiative, NACo is focusing on the critical role counties play in breaking multi-generational cycles of poverty; and

WHEREAS, in order to remain healthy, vibrant and safe, America's counties provide public health, justice, safety, infrastructure, transportation, technology, environmental stewardship and economic services that play a key role in everything from residents' daily commutes to emergency response; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve; and

WHEREAS, this year's celebration will include internal and external activities created through the collaborative efforts of the Durham County Manager's Office, Department of Public Health, Department of Social Services and Emergency Medical Services. The month will also include multiple educational opportunities for employees and residents based on the 2018 NCGM theme; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendy Jacobs, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April of 2018 as

"NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH"

in Durham County, and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

This the 9th day of April, 2018.

Wendy Jacobs, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

