

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Proclamation

ELECTRIC UTILITY LINeworker APPRECIATION DAY | 2026

WHEREAS, the Durham County Board of Commissioners celebrates and commends the work of all electrical utility lineworkers, who work in a profession requiring passion, dedication and extensive training; and

WHEREAS, Durham County is primarily served by Duke Energy’s lineworkers, especially during major storms; these lineworkers work in dangerous conditions to repair broken power lines and equipment; and

WHEREAS, electric lineworkers often are the first responders during storms, whose work is critical to making the damaged area safe for other public safety heroes; and

WHEREAS, Duke Energy’s lineworkers and other linemen are on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to maintain our electrical infrastructure and keep the power flowing to everyone; and

WHEREAS, due to the danger of their work with high voltage, these men and women put their lives at risk every day for the citizens of our community; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. House of Representatives recognizes the efforts of lineworkers in keeping the power on and protecting public safety and has designated the celebration of a National Lineworker Appreciation Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. Mike Lee, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 18, 2026, as

“LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY”

in Durham County and calls upon all citizens to recognize the contribution that these public servants make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

This 13th day of April 2026.

Dr. Mike Lee, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

