

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Proclamation

THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD | 2026

WHEREAS, Durham’s Partnership for Children, Early Years, and Durham Technical Community College and other local organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are leading the celebration of the Week of the Young Child, April 11-17, 2026; and

WHEREAS, these organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities, including high quality early education, literacy initiatives, and Durham PreK, a universal public preschool initiative, that can provide a foundation of learning for children in Durham County; and

WHEREAS, many Durham County government initiatives and programs involve the protection of children, their health and access to valuable educational resources; focusing public attention on the rights and needs of young children; and

WHEREAS, teachers, volunteers and citizens of Durham, who make a difference in the lives of young children in Durham County, deserve thanks and recognition; and

WHEREAS, public policies that support early learning for all young children are crucial to young children’s futures.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, Dr. Mike Lee, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 11 – 17, 2026, as

“THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD”

in Durham, and encourage all Durham County officials, employees, and citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood in North Carolina and to take special note of this observance by participating in the Week of the Young Child’s activities.

This the 13th day of April 2026.

Dr. Mike Lee, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

