DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Proclamation

DURHAM CROP HUNGER WALK | 2015

WHEREAS, at the end of World War II many people wanted to share our country's abundance with European war victims; and CROP's first purpose was to gather wheat and other crops from U.S. farms for shipment to Europe; and

WHEREAS, today, the Durham CROP Hunger Walk is an important part of community life, bringing together people of different faiths, diverse cultures, and all age groups; and

WHEREAS, in the last 41 years, Durham CROP Hunger Walks have raised over \$3.82 million to bring help and hope to hungry people in need around the world and in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, each year Durham CROP Hunger Walk helps local agencies such as Meals on Wheels, Urban Ministries, Housing for New Hope, Threshold Clubhouse, Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina, and church food pantries who provide food to neighbors in need; and

WHEREAS, the Durham CROP Hunger Walk is working to raise enough money to be able to support two additional local agencies this year; and

WHEREAS, the Durham CROP Hunger Walk is the oldest fund-raising walk in NC and helps the community to become aware of and concerned about hunger and its causes; and

WHEREAS, the Durham CROP Hunger Walk is the 3rd largest walk in the nation, out of more 1300 walks, demonstrating the tremendous compassion and altruism of Durham's citizens; and

WHEREAS, Durham CROP Hunger Walk will raise funds to help stop hunger both locally and globally.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael D. Page, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim Sunday, March 22, 2015 as

"41st ANNUAL CROP HUNGER WALK DAY"

in Durham County, North Carolina and call upon citizens to participate in hunger awareness.

This the 9th day of March, 2015.

Michael D. Page, Chairman Durham Board of County Commissioners

