## DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## Proclamation

## **COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH | 2018**

WHEREAS,	change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, urban and rural areas;
	and

- **WHEREAS,** community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people work and live; and
- **WHEREAS,** a key component of community planning is the involvement of <u>all</u> of Durham citizens in making choices that determine the future quality of life in Durham; and
- **WHEREAS,** the full benefits of planning require public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and
- **WHEREAS,** the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories; and
- WHEREAS, the American Planning Association and its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, endorse National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the contributions planning makes to the quality of our community and environment; and
- WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of Durham's appointed and elected Boards and Commissions who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the City and County of Durham, North Carolina; and
- WHEREAS, the Durham City-County Planning Department was created 30 years ago on July 1, 1988, and we recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional planners of the Durham City-County Planning Department and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** I, Wendy Jacobs, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2018 as

## "COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH"

in Durham County in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month, and hereby urge citizens to take note of this observance.

This the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

Wendy Jacobs, Chair Durham Board of County Commissioners

