

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

*Proclamation*

**VETERANS DAY | 2019**

**WHEREAS,** each year, our Nation pauses to pay tribute to the many men and women who have pledged their allegiance to the United States Armed Forces; and

**WHEREAS,** their loyalty to the military is evident in their commitment and willingness to make sacrifices to protect our country; and

**WHEREAS,** their faithfulness and courage commands respect as many have stood in the face of our country's adversaries to protect our freedom; and

**WHEREAS,** the United States Congress passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926, calling for the observance of November 11 with appropriate ceremonies, and later provided in an act approved on May 13, 1938, that the eleventh of November in each year should be a legal holiday celebrated and known as Armistice Day; and

**WHEREAS,** on June 1, 1954, Congress made an amendment replacing "Armistice" with "Veterans"; and

**WHEREAS,** November 11 is Veterans Day and is set aside as a legal state and federal public holiday to honor our Nation's veterans; and

**WHEREAS,** it is hoped that we are inspired and our bond as a Nation is strengthened as we gather on Veterans Day to recognize the patriots across our great nation and the nearly 15,000 veterans of Durham County who have defended our rights, values and freedoms; and

**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 November 11, 2019 as

**"VETERANS DAY"**

in Durham County. We urge all citizens in Durham to observe Veterans Day 2019 by displaying respect and gratitude for our veterans, both living and deceased, through appropriate services and ceremonies recognizing their great sacrifice.

This the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019.

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Wendy Jacobs, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

