DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Proclamation

BLACK ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK | 2021

WHEREAS, Black Entrepreneurship Week initially developed from a partnership between Carolina Small Business Development

Fund and Shaw University; and

WHEREAS, Carolina Small Business Development Fund is a nonprofit community lender that promotes economic development

through outreach to underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Black Entrepreneurship Week will bring together participants to focus on the future of small business leadership in the black

community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, this virtual event will feature five days of inspiring speakers

and engaging workshops with topics ranging from Access to Capital, Marketing, Pivoting in the Face of the Pandemic, Stories of Small Businesses Helped by CSBDF During the

Pandemic and more; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the event is to provide opportunities for trailblazing,

successful business leaders to share their knowledge and creativity and to provide strategic insights to a new generation

of eager and innovative entrepreneurs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED I, Brenda Howerton, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim February 22-26, 2021 as

"BLACK ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK"

This 22^{nd} day of February 2021.

Brenda Howerton, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

