

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

*Proclamation*

**NATIONAL THERAPY ANIMAL DAY | 2023**

**WHEREAS**, there are thousands of Pet Partners therapy animal teams serving in communities across the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Pet Partners has designated April 30 as National Therapy Animal Day; and

**WHEREAS**, Pet Partners therapy animal teams in Durham play an essential role in improving human health and well-being through the human-animal bond; and

**WHEREAS**. Pet Partners therapy animal teams make millions of visits per year in settings such as hospitals, nursing homes, schools and hospice; and

**WHEREAS**, Pet Partners therapy animal teams interact with a variety of people in our community including veterans, seniors, patients, students facing literacy challenges, and those approaching end of life; and

**WHEREAS**, these exceptional therapy animals who partner with their human companions bring comfort and healing to those in need.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, I, Brenda Howerton, Chair and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 30, 2023 as

**“NATIONAL THERAPY ANIMAL DAY”**

in Durham County, North Carolina.

This 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

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Brenda Howerton, Chair  
Durham Board of County Commissioners

