## NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY

- **WHEREAS,** service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and
- **WHEREAS,** the nation's counties are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and
- WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to providing health services and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and
- **WHEREAS,** national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and
- **WHEREAS,** AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 50,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and
- **WHEREAS,** national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve, both through their direct service and by managing millions of additional volunteers; and
- **WHEREAS**, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and
- **WHEREAS,** national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** BY the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That this Board does hereby proclaim April 3, 2018, as

## **National Service Recognition Day**

In Buncombe County.

- That this Board does hereby encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our County, to thank those who serve and to find ways to give back to their communities.
- 3. That this proclamation be effective upon its adoption

ADOPTED this the 6th day of March, 2018.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY

BY:		
	BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN	