

of  
**November as  
Lung Cancer Awareness Month**

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**WHEREAS,** lung cancer will claim an estimated 5,780 lives in North Carolina this year, far outnumbering deaths due to breast, prostate, and colon cancers combined; and

**WHEREAS,** approximately 15% of lung cancer cases occur in people who have never smoked, and over 40% in those who have formerly smoked; and

**WHEREAS,** funding for lung cancer research trails far behind other cancers; and

**WHEREAS;** Buncombe County has demonstrated its commitment by endorsing the community health Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Plan designed to decrease smoking and exposure to second hand smoke in our community and by making all County properties smoke-free zones.

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

1. That the month of November be proclaimed

**Lung Cancer Awareness Month**  
in Buncombe County

2. That all our citizens be urged to learn more about lung cancer prevention and join the effort to defeat lung cancer.
3. That this proclamation be effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
DAVID GANTT, CHAIRMAN