

PROCLAMATION
Honoring
Christy Cheek

WHEREAS, Christy Cheek has been employed for over 31 years as an educator with the Buncombe County Schools as a Classroom Teacher, Career & Technical Education (CTE) Coordinator and Career & Technical Education (CTE) Director; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has left a positive mark on every person and program she has worked with including students, teachers, employers, public officials and others; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek's classroom experience of twenty-four years was marked by a deep love and concern to see her students grow and experience real-life business opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek's efforts have led to many students finding fulfilling and rewarding career and educational opportunities in our local community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has developed strong partnerships in the business community and has been able to involve employers in the students' educational experience; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has been recognized throughout the state for her leadership in Career & Technical Education including being recognized as a national finalist to the ACTE leadership award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has been a passionate advocate for her students' access to the academic, technical, and workplace skills they need to be successful; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has helped tens of thousands of students experience local workplaces through Students@Work, Manufacturing Week/MFG Day, A-B Tech Summer Camps, and other efforts; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has led the Student Leadership Academy at Biltmore which has allowed thousands of students in our region to experience world-class leadership training; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has developed close relationships with businesses large and small in our region including AvL Technologies, Mission Health, Biltmore, MB Haynes Corporation, ABB, Eaton Corporation, and many others which have resulted in a positive impact to students and educators; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek's professionalism and passion are contagious to all who work with her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cheek has worked closely with elected officials at the county, state and federal level to advocate for Career & Technical Education to provide more opportunities for students and employers;

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

1. That November 30, 2018 be and it is hereby proclaimed as "Christy Cheek Day" in Buncombe County.
2. That all Buncombe County citizens are encouraged to recognize the many contributions of Christy Cheek to our students, educators, schools, businesses and community.
3. That this proclamation be effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of November, 2018.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY BY:

BROWNIE NEWMAN, CHAIRMAN