

County of Buncombe
Proclamation

PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

WHEREAS, the Buncombe County public health workforce is a critical component of our emergency response to natural and man-made disasters and widespread disease outbreaks in our county, including COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, our county and state public health workers have been courageous, committed, inventive, nimble, and tireless in their work to protect our residents from the threats of the COVID-19 pandemic, while continuing to perform the other essential public health functions, often times at the risk of their own safety and health; and

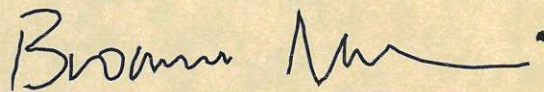
WHEREAS, public health measures to control and eliminate infectious diseases, improve environmental sanitation, and promote healthy lifestyle practices have improved the health status and increased life expectancy for the residents of our County and all state; and

WHEREAS, public health plays a critical role in advancing health equity and providing opportunities for health, resulting in improved productivity and decreased health care costs for all North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, the Buncombe County leaders are committed to a continued emphasis on protection of health and prevention of health threats and to helping our County and all North Carolina reach a better state of health through programming and outreach; and

WHEREAS, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners encourages all residents to recognize that public health is working to ensure that all residents are protected from threats such as COVID-19, influenza, food-borne disease, injury, and chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, and asthma;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this 5th day of April 2022, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim that April 4-10, 2022, shall be designated as "**PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK**" in Buncombe County, and commend its observance to all County residents as we convey our deepest gratitude to those public health professionals who serve our County every day.



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Chairman, Buncombe County Board of Commissioners