

County of Buncombe

# Proclamation

OF NOVEMBER AS  
**ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH**

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**WHEREAS**, *Adoption Awareness Month* is celebrated to call attention to the fact that every child deserves to grow up in a loving, nurturing, permanent home and that this experience lays the foundation for a happy, productive adulthood; and

**WHEREAS**, in Buncombe County, there are 328 children and 50 young adults age 18-21 in custody in Buncombe County

**WHEREAS**, 32 children achieved permanency with their forever families through adoption July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

**WHEREAS**, during the month of November, Buncombe County Health and Human Services will continue to focus on children who need permanent adoptive families and honor families who have adopted children as well as those who work to address the impacts of childhood trauma through safe and stable forever homes that meet the unique needs of children in foster care.

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

1. That the month of November 2022 be proclaimed

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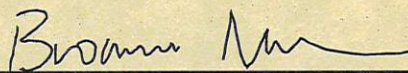
in Buncombe County.

2. That all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, businesses and others be encouraged to celebrate adoption and honor adoptive families by increasing their awareness of the issues of adoption and helping to focus attention on the need for adoptive parents and the children who are waiting for permanent homes.

3. That this proclamation be effective upon its adoption.

**ADOPTED** this the 15th day of November 2022.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE**



**Brownie Newman, Chairman**