

County of Buncombe

Proclamation

OF NOVEMBER AS
ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH

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 341 children and 44 young adults age 18-21 in custody in Buncombe County


WHEREAS, 22 children achieved permanency with their forever families through adoption July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

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 Buncombe County Board of Commissioners that the month of November 2023 be proclaimed **Adoption Awareness Month** in Buncombe County and that all residents, 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.

ADOPTED this the 7th day of November 2023.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE


Brownie Newman, Chairman