



Durham County

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Meeting Minutes Board of County Commissioners

Monday, April 9, 2018

7:00 PM

Commissioners' Chambers

Regular Session

Opening of Regular Session - Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Adjustments

Chair Jacobs announced there were no agenda adjustments.

Announcements

Chair Jacobs read the following announcements:

- 1) Please help Kids Voting Durham spread the word about our upcoming Youth Candidate Forum Tuesday, April 17 from 6:30-8:30 pm at Hillside High School. As you know, Kids Voting forums are led by students for other students and offer a chance to have in-depth conversations with candidates about the issues that are important to young people. And even though only the under 18 participants get to ask questions at this forum, adults can learn a lot by listening to candidates talk with students. You can also find more information about how youth, adults, schools and others can get involved in the May Kids Voting Durham elections and events at www.kidsvotingdurham.org/elections.
- 2) Mark your calendar! The last round of N.C. 98 Corridor Study public meetings is this April. These meetings will be held in an "open house" format. Attendees may come any time between the hours listed below to learn about the project, ask questions, and provide input to the project team. The event will take place Monday, April 16, 2018, 5:00—7:00 p.m. at the Durham County Library, 211 Lick Creek Lane, Durham, NC 27703.
- 3) Applications are now being accepted for Pre-K Programs in Durham County. Walk-ins are welcome at any of the Head Start Program Offices (215 W. Seminary Ave or 908 Liberty Street) from 9:30am – 4:30pm, Monday – Thursday or call 919-314-6813 to schedule an appointment. More information on additional locations will be available on the Durham County website.

- 4)A public meeting related to a proposed round-about on Mineral Springs Road and Pleasant Drive will be held on Monday, April 23, 2018 from 5pm – 7pm at 100 Pleasant Drive in Durham. This is a Department of Transportation (DOT) project and meeting.
- 5)A Celebration of Peace sponsored by Bull City United will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 4:30pm – 7:30pm in the McDougald Terrace community located on 42-B Ridgeway Ave. This event is open to the public and there will be free food, games and give-a-ways.
- 6)Commissioner Howerton stated she would provide a press release shared by the North Carolina Association of Counties on the North Carolina School Construction Bond to the public information office. She added a resolution would also be requested to begin advocacy for the bond.
- 7)Chair Jacobs stated the Veteran’s Services Office would offer limited services from April 10 – April 13, 2018 due to the attendance of a conference in Greensboro, NC. The office will return to normal hours on April 16, 2018.

Minutes

Commissioner Carter moved, seconded by Commissioner Reckhow to approve the February 8, 2018 Worksession minutes, March 16, 2018 Legislative Breakfast minutes, and the March 26, 2018 Regular Session Minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

Ceremonial Items

Recognition of Eddie Culberson, Durham Soil & Water Conservation Director - Hugh Hammond Bennett Chapter Award - Professional Achievement in Water Quality

Jay Gibson, General Manager, stated the Hugh Hammond Bennett Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society selected Eddie Culberson, Director of the Durham Soil and Water Conservation District, to receive the Professional Achievement in Water Quality Award. He provided brief highlights on Mr. Culberson’s achievements and introduced Matthew Kinane, President of the Hugh Hammond Bennett State Chapter.

Mr. Kinane provided background information on Mr. Bennett, the society and the importance of the award. He also explained how the awardees were selected.

Mr. Culberson thanked the society for the honor. He considered it an honor to work for the County and thanked the staff for the positive working relationships established.

Chair Jacobs stated this was a well-deserved, awarding moment especially when being recognized by your peers.

Commissioner Reckhow highlighted several programs established by Mr. Culberson since his leadership and congratulated him on this achievement.

Commissioner Reckhow thanked Mr. Culberson for his work with leading the Soil and Water Conservation District.

Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation

Chair Jacobs read the following proclamation:

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH | 2018

WHEREAS, children are vital to our state's future success, prosperity, and quality of life as well as being our most vulnerable asset; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have the safe, stable, nurturing homes and communities they need to foster their healthy growth and development; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life of a community; and

WHEREAS, communities that provide parents with the social support, knowledge of parenting and child development and concrete resources they need to cope with stress and nurture their children to ensure all children grow to their full potential; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention strategies succeed because of partnerships created among citizens, human service agencies, schools, faith communities, health care providers, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendy Jacobs, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April of 2018 as

“CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH”

And call upon all citizens, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected leaders, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to support families, thereby preventing child abuse and strengthening the communities in which we live.

This the 9th day of April, 2018.

Wendy Jacobs, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Ben Rose, Director of Social Services, thanked the Board for the proclamation and stated the work could not be done without the partners of the community. He added this was a real issue and it was important for the citizens to understand how abuse affects our children.

Sharon Hirsch, President and CEO at Prevent Child Abuse North Carolina, thanked the Board for all the work done to help raise awareness. She stated it was important to create supportive communities that help families in need. Ms. Hirsch also thanked the Board for leading the way by offering paid parental leave for their employees as this was one way to help prevent child abuse. She also invited the Board and the public to assist with the largest pinwheel display on Sunday, April 15, 2018 at the American Tobacco District.

Chair Jacobs asked Ms. Hirsch to explain the signs of child abuse and share where people could find resource information. Ms. Hirsch provided the following website: www.preventchildabuseresource.org for signs of abuse, free online courses, what to look for and ways to report child abuse. Chair Jacobs

thanked Ms. Hirsch for the information and stated the Board would share the information with its partners.

Commissioner Reckhow stated there was a need to examine how to support resilience in the community. She added the task force has learned there were long waiting list for services needed in the community.

Commissioner Howerton thanked staff for the work done and stated she would be contacting Ms. Hirsch about attending a conference in August.

Proclaim April 2018 as National County Government Month

Chair Jacobs read the following proclamation:

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH | 2018

WHEREAS, the nation’s 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, counties move America forward by providing health care, administering justice, keeping communities safe, creating economic opportunities and much more; and

WHEREAS, Durham County Government and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, through National Association of Counties President Roy Charles Brooks’ “Serving the Underserved” initiative, NACo is focusing on the critical role counties play in breaking multi-generational cycles of poverty; and

WHEREAS, in order to remain healthy, vibrant and safe, America’s counties provide public health, justice, safety, infrastructure, transportation, technology, environmental stewardship and economic services that play a key role in everything from residents’ daily commutes to emergency response; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve; and

WHEREAS, this year’s celebration will include internal and external activities created through the collaborative efforts of the Durham County Manager’s Office, Department of Public Health, Department of Social Services and Emergency Medical Services. The month will also include multiple educational opportunities for employees and residents based on the 2018 NCGM theme; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Wendy Jacobs, Chair of the Durham Board of County Commissioners and on behalf of the Durham Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April of 2018 as

“NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH”

in Durham County, and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

This the 9th day of April, 2018.

Wendy Jacobs, Chair
Durham Board of County Commissioners

Dawn Dudley, Senior Public Information Specialist, stated the theme for this year was “*Serving the Underserved.*” She added there were both internal and external programs occurring with partnerships from various departments. Ms. Dudley stated Public Information was working with Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Durham Senior Life Center to connect seniors with paramedics. She also added the Manager’s Office partnered with Human Resources for “*Come to Work with Parent Day*” on April 26, 2018 as well as an upcoming Employee Celebration Event.

Gayle Harris, General Manager, also added the Health Department launched a Safe Syringe Program. Chair Jacobs asked was there a drop box. Ms. Harris responded yes, it was installed in the lobby of the Health and Human Services Building.

Consent Agenda

Chair Jacobs asked the Board if they requested to comment or pull any items for the Consent Agenda. She stated there was one citizen signed up to speak on an item.

Item #18-0753

Toni Curry, Development Director for NARAL Pro-Choice North Carolina, thanked the Board for considering the request to repeal the Hyde Amendment which blocked federal funding for low income patients who needed abortion care.

Item #18-0647

Chair Jacobs recognized the Information Services and Technology department for receiving the funds for the Government Innovation Grant Award. She asked Greg Marrow, Chief Information Officer, to speak.

Mr. Marrow thanked the Board for the recognition and provided background information on the award received by the University of North Carolina – School of Government.

Dr. Shannon Tuffs, Associate Professor of Public Law and Government and Director for the Center for Public Technology, provided information on the importance of technology in the government arena. She added Durham County has always been a leader in technology and stated the program would award such counties that recognized problems and created solutions using technology.

Gudrun Parmer, Director of the Criminal Justice Resource Center, stated she came up with the idea to create an app for Court Reminders. She added this helped decrease missed court dates and unnecessary rescheduling.

Chair Jacobs stated this was such a great partnership between two departments and hoped that this could be shared amongst other counties as well.

Commissioner Howerton asked if this would be submitted to the National Association of Counties for an award. Mr. Marrow responded yes.

Hearing no additional comments, Chair Jacobs entertained a motion for approval.

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Howerton to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda.

*18-0647 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 18BCC000031 to Recognize UNC SoG and NC LGISA Award Funds to the Information Services and Technology Department for Demonstrating World-Class IT Effectiveness for the Court Reminder App with CJRC

18-0682 Social Services Budget Ordinance No. 18BCC000025 Recognizing Watts Street Baptist Church Contribution of \$750 and Wake Electric Membership Corp. Contribution of \$1,000 for a Total of \$1,750

*18-0691 Capital Project Amendment No. 18CPA000008- Reducing \$55,977.20 of 2007 General Obligation Bond Funds from the Durham Public School HVAC Controls Capital Project (SH234) and Transferring the Funds to the Eno Valley Elementary Capital Project (SH241)

*18-0697 Budget Ordinance Amendment No.18BCC000026 to Recognize Funds in the Amount of \$4,000 from the Aetna Foundation Healthiest Cities and Counties Challenge Interim Award

*18-0698 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 18BCC000027 to Recognize \$7,550 from Duke Corporate Accounts Payable to support the Partnership for a Healthy Durham

*18-0699 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 18BCC000028 to Recognize Funds in the Amount of \$15,161 From the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill to support the Formerly Incarcerated Transitions Program

*18-0700 Budget Amendment Ordinance Amendment No. 18BCC000032 to Recognize an Anonymous Donation to the Local Reentry Council

*18-0704 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 18BCC000029 to Recognize \$2,000 from SHIFT-NC to support Project BUILD

18-0705 Administrative Interpretation of Falls/Jordan Watershed Protection Overlay District

18-0711 Execution of the Amendment to the Architectural Design Service Contract with O'Brien/Atkins Associates, P.A. for the Detention Center Security Modifications Project No.: DC088

*18-0715 Department of Social Services Budget Ordinance Number 18BCC000030 Recognizing \$83,203 for Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA) Funds

18-0721 Declaration of Public Nuisance

18-0724 Durham Center for Senior Life HCCBG Budget Realignment

*18-0730 Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 18BCC000033 to Reduce Debt Service Fund Revenue by \$187,926 and Decrease Expenditures by the Same Amount.

*18-0733 Durham County Access Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 18BCC000034 Recognizing \$247,000 in grant revenue from Go Triangle

18-0734 Design Services for Aeration System Enhancements for the Triangle Wastewater Treatment Plant Amendment

18-0753 Resolution to Support Women's Health

The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda Item #18-0647

**Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC0000031**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$60,591,968	\$10,000	\$60,601,968

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
General Government	\$112,309,555	\$5,000	\$112,314,555
Public Safety	\$65,060,953	\$5,000	\$65,065,953

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0691

**DURHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
2017-18 Capital Project Ordinance
Amendment Number 18CPA000008**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY:

That the 2017-18 capital project ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments for the following projects.

Project	Current Budget	Increase/Decrease	Revised Budget
07 GO Bond – HVAC Controls (SH234)	\$3,951,758.44	(\$55,977.20)	\$3,895,781.24
16 GO Bond - Eno Valley Elementary (SH241)	\$7,399,811.85	\$55,977.20	\$7,455,789.05
Totals	\$11,351,570.30	\$0.00	\$11,351,570.30

Adopted this the 9th day of April 2018.

Consent Agenda Item #18-0697

**Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC0000026**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget

ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$60,480,054	\$4,000	\$60,484,054

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$97,161,002	\$4,000	\$97,165,002

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0698

Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC000027

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$60,480,054	\$7,550	\$60,487,604

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$97,161,002	\$7,550	\$97,168,552

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0699

Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC000028

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$60,491,604	\$15,161	\$60,506,765

Expenditures:

Function
GENERAL FUND

Human Services	\$97,172,552	\$15,161	\$97,187,713
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All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0700

**Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC000032**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Contributions & Donations	\$97,550	\$500	\$98,050

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Public Safety	\$65,065,953	\$500	\$65,066,453

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0704

**Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC000029**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$60,506,765	\$2,000	\$60,508,765

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$97,187,713	\$2,000	\$97,189,713

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0715

**Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC000030**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$60,591,765	\$83,203	\$60,591,968

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$97,189,713	\$83,203	\$97,272,916

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0730

**Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC000033**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

Revenue:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>DEBT SERVICE FUND</u>			
Other Financing Sources	\$68,053,844	-\$187,926	\$67,865,918

Expenditures:

<u>Function</u>			
<u>DEBT SERVICE FUND</u>			
General Government	\$68,922,065	-\$187,926	\$68,734,139

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Consent Agenda Item #18-0733

**Durham County, North Carolina
2017-2018 Budget Ordinance
Amendment Number 18BCC000034**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF DURHAM COUNTY that the 2017-2018 budget ordinance is hereby amended to reflect budget adjustments.

<u>Revenue:</u>			
<u>Category</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Intergovernmental	\$60,601,968	\$247,000	\$60,848,968
 <u>Expenditures:</u>			
<u>Function</u>			
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
Human Services	\$97,272,916	\$247,000	\$97,519,916

All ordinances and portions of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This the 9th day of April 2018

Commissioner Carter read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT WOMEN’S HEALTH

WHEREAS, access to safe, affordable, and comprehensive reproductive health care services is a basic human right, and is vital to the overall physical and mental health of women, transgender, and gender-nonconforming individuals who can become pregnant; and

WHEREAS, every individual should have access to comprehensive reproductive health care throughout their lives, including screening for cancer and sexually transmitted infections, contraceptive services, abortion care, prenatal care, labor and delivery services, breastfeeding support, postpartum care, and menopausal care; and

WHEREAS, abortion is one of the safest medical procedures in the United States, as demonstrated by data, including from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, showing that abortion has over a 99% safety record; and

WHEREAS, every individual has a right to comprehensive, evidence-based information about the full range of reproductive health care options available to them, regardless of income, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, age, immigration status, criminal history, geographic circumstance, type of insurance, or insurance-coverage status; and

WHEREAS, like other medical procedures, the safety of abortion is furthered by evidence-based practices developed and supported by medical professionals; and

WHEREAS, an individual’s bodily autonomy and freedom to make reproductive decisions is vital to their safety, well-being, economic opportunity, and ability to participate equally in society; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court, in a historic and landmark decision, ruled in *Roe v. Wade* that the U.S. Constitution safeguards a woman’s ability to make her own personal medical decisions about when or whether to have children; and

WHEREAS, that decision has allowed women to participate more fully in society, saved lives, and strengthened families and we must always guard against efforts to deliberately erode the availability and affordability of abortion and undermine the protections provided by *Roe v. Wade*; and

WHEREAS, in its 2016 *Whole Woman’s Health v. Hellerstedt* decision the U.S. Supreme Court reaffirmed a woman’s constitutional right to access abortion; and

WHEREAS, the Hyde Amendment, passed by Congress on September 30, 1976, has impeded access to abortion care for low-income women enrolled in Medicaid; and

WHEREAS, additional laws that restrict insurance coverage of abortion create unjust obstacles to quality health care, and the impact of health inequities falls hardest on low-income women, women of color, immigrant and undocumented women, survivors of domestic violence, transgender and gender-nonconforming individuals, and young women; and

WHEREAS, an individual who wants to get an abortion, but is denied one is more likely to fall into poverty than one who can get an abortion; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina law currently imposes limitations on insurance coverage of abortion in the state Medicaid program; and

WHEREAS, many North Carolinians—including state and federal employees, Peace Corps members, people who are incarcerated in federal prisons, Native Americans who utilize Indian Health Services, and members of the military—who qualify for insurance coverage from the federal government are subject to bans on insurance coverage of abortion; and

WHEREAS, all women, transgender, and gender-nonconforming individuals should have insurance coverage for comprehensive reproductive health care, including abortion care, to ensure that their economic status or the source of their insurance coverage does not affect important health care decisions or access; and

WHEREAS, public health insurance should cover all of an individual’s options when they are facing pregnancy, so that they are able to make a real decision about what is best for them and their family; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that funding of comprehensive reproductive health care be increased and that abortion be covered as part of comprehensive reproductive health care in all public insurance programs to ensure that services are accessible for individuals who are enrolled in such programs; and

WHEREAS, the Durham County Board of Commissioner’s commitment to social justice in its condemnation of HB2 in April 2016, means a resolution in Durham County is aligned with its tradition of standing up for local control, progress, and social justice; and

WHEREAS, the Durham County Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women on September 11, 2017, which outlined women’s fundamental human rights, including women’s health and economic disparities that impact women; and

WHEREAS, individuals of reproductive age in Durham County who are Durham Public Schools employees (including teachers, support staff, and administrators); federal, state, city, and county employees; and who purchase insurance through the Affordable Care Act are subject to a ban on abortion coverage; and

WHEREAS, more than 1,865 Durham women of reproductive age enrolled in Medicaid are denied coverage for comprehensive pregnancy-related care that includes abortion care, because of bans on such coverage imposed by federal and state lawmakers;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Durham County Board of Commissioners calls for the repeal of the federal Hyde Amendment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners calls upon President Trump and Governor Cooper to actively support measures to ensure and protect the rights of women, transgender, and gender-nonconforming individuals to have access to safe and comprehensive health care.

This the 9th day of April, 2018.

Wendy Jacobs, Chair

James Hill, Vice Chair

Heidi Carter

Brenda A. Howerton

Ellen W. Reckhow

Chair Jacobs stated Durham County was the first in North Carolina and the second in the South to pass the resolution.

Vice Chair Hill requested an excused absence from April 23, 2018 – May 29, 2018.

Commissioner Reckhow moved, seconded by Commissioner Carter to excuse Vice Chair Hill from meetings scheduled during April 23, 2018 – May 29, 2018.

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Commissioner Howerton moved, seconded by Commissioner Carter to adjourn the Regular Session meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Monica W. Toomer
Deputy Clerk to the Board