



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PROCLAMATION  
Wake County Bar Association 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**WHEREAS**, the first meeting of The Wake County Bar Association was held in April 1925 with the Constitution of the Wake County Bar Association being published in May 1925. James Hinton Pou, served as the first president; and

**WHEREAS**, today, the Wake County Bar Association is made up of more than 3,000 lawyers living and practicing in and around Wake County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wake County Bar Association (WCBA) was founded in 1925 to promote justice, uphold the rule of law, and support the legal profession in Wake County; and

**WHEREAS**, over the past century, the Wake County Bar Association has made significant contributions to the legal community, the advancement of justice, and the welfare of the citizens of Wake County and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the WCBA have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to the highest ethical standards, the fair and equitable administration of justice and service to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wake County Bar Association has provided invaluable support and professional development for generations of attorneys, fostering leadership, mentorship and camaraderie among legal practitioners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wake County Bar Association has engaged in numerous community outreach initiatives, legal education programs, pro bono services, and efforts to increase access to justice for underserved and vulnerable populations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wake County Bar Association's centennial celebration is an opportunity to honor the hard work, dedication and achievements of all those who have served as members, leaders and advocates within the organization over the past 100 years; and

**WHEREAS**, this milestone anniversary serves as a testament to the enduring strength and commitment of the legal profession in North Carolina and as a reminder of the ongoing role that the WCBA plays in fostering a just and fair society for all.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wake County Board of Commissioners does hereby commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Wake County Bar Association and encourages Wake County residents to acknowledge and appreciate the instrumental contributions of the WCBA.

**ADOPTED** this the 7<sup>TH</sup> day of April 2025.

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Susan P. Evans, Chair  
Wake County Board of Commissioners