



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAMATION
Recognizing May as
Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month**

WHEREAS, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have made profound contributions to the economic growth, civic life, education, public service, healthcare, arts, and innovation in Wake County and across North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Wake County is home to a growing and vibrant AAPI community whose leadership, entrepreneurship, and cultural traditions enrich our shared community and strengthen our collective future; and

WHEREAS, AAPI residents continue to play a vital role in fostering cross-cultural understanding, advancing equity, and building inclusive communities where all people can thrive; and

WHEREAS, it is important to acknowledge both the achievements of AAPI individuals and the ongoing challenges, including discrimination and barriers to opportunity, and to reaffirm our commitment to equity, inclusion, and belonging for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes **May 2026** as **Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month** in Wake County and encourages all residents to celebrate the many contributions of AAPI communities, learn more about their histories and cultures, and participate in activities that promote understanding, unity, and respect.

ADOPTED this the 18th day of May 2026.

Don Mial, Chair
Wake County Board of Commissioners