



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PROCLAMATION  
Recognizing March as  
WAKE UP and Read Month**

**WHEREAS**, the Wake County Board of Commissioners, recognizes the importance of WAKE UP and Read; and

**WHEREAS**, WAKE Up and Read is a community coalition of 30+ agencies in Wake County committed to ensuring that ALL children across Wake County read proficiently by the end of 3rd grade. As the local affiliate of the National Campaign for Grade Level Reading, WAKE UP and Read focuses on three key areas: school readiness (birth-5), learning opportunities (K-5), and engaged families; and

**WHEREAS**, WAKE UP and Read's mission is to increase access to literacy materials and experiences, to ensure children have the tools to succeed academically and grow into lifelong learners; and

**WHEREAS**, each year, WAKE UP and Read's annual book drive has a profound impact on thousands of local children by collecting and distributing books that otherwise would not be available to them, helping to bridge the access and literacy gap to nurture young minds; and

**WHEREAS**, WAKE UP and Read's efforts have been instrumental in empowering families, improving reading proficiency, sparking imaginations, and instilling a sense of confidence in children as they develop the skills necessary for future success; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wake County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim the month of March as **WAKE UP AND READ**, and urges the residents of our community, and communities across the country, to join Wake County with support this important mission.

**ADOPTED** this the 17th day of March 2025.

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Susan P. Evans, Chair  
Wake County Board of Commissioners