

## Resolution of Appreciation Jim Hartmann Wake County Manager

**WHEREAS**, Jim Hartmann has dedicated his life to public service, holding leadership roles in Seminole County, Florida; Alexandria, Virginia; and Spartanburg County, South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann was sworn in as Wake County Manager on April 14, 2014, to lead the administration of one of the fastest growing counties in the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann increased the county's contribution to the Wake County Public School System by nearly 32 percent over four budget years, while supporting the growing demands for other county services and programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann worked with staff and stakeholders to develop, with extensive public input, the Wake County Transit Plan, which was approved by 53 percent of Wake County voters; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann helped create the Wake Directors Group, an interagency collaboration of leaders committed to improving the behavioral health system in Wake County; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann cultivated relationships with non-profit partners to support programs, such as school food pantries, universal school breakfast and SmartStart, that help the children in our community succeed; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann has supported the development of an award-winning wellness program to enhance the physical, financial, emotional and social health of Wake County's 4,000 employees; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann has inspired a spirit of innovation across Wake County government, leading to the establishment of the Wake Innovates Program and CREATEspace innovation lab; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Hartmann has reminded Wake County to focus not only on our needs of today, but to plan for the needs of our community in the decades to come; and

**NOW, THERERFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Wake County Board of Commissioners honors Jim Hartmann on this bittersweet day, offers him best wishes for his future and thanks him for his dedication to improving the lives of all residents of Wake County.

ADOPTED, this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.