



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PROCLAMATION  
Recognizing May as  
National Foster Care Month**

**WHEREAS**, the family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem, protection and support, is the very foundation of our community and our County; and

**WHEREAS**, in Wake County there are over 563 children and youth in foster care, 64 of which are young adults in extended foster care, being provided with a safe, secure and stable home along with the compassion and nurturing of a family; and

**WHEREAS**, foster families play a vital role in helping children and families in crisis by serving as a bridge to help families heal and reconnect; and

**WHEREAS**, the youth will receive services that place value on maintaining healthy connections with their family of origin and community; and

**WHEREAS**, every effort is made to place children in safe homes within their community of origin and one that is also reflective of that youth; and

**WHEREAS**, there are numerous individuals, public, and private organizations who work to increase public awareness of the needs of children in, and leaving foster care.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Wake County Board of Commissioners, does hereby proclaim May 2019, as ***“National Foster Care Month”*** in Wake County.

**ADOPTED** this the 6th day of May 2019.

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Jessica N. Holmes, Chair  
Wake County Board of Commissioners