



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PROCLAMATION
Recognizing August 19, 2019 as
NC Courage Day in Wake County**

WHEREAS, Wake County is the proud home to the North Carolina Courage, our record-setting professional women's soccer team; and

WHEREAS, seven of the team's members represented their home countries in the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup; and

WHEREAS, four of those players competed for the United States Women's National Soccer Team, which defeated the Netherlands in the final game to win the World Cup; and

WHEREAS, the Courage also won the treble in 2018 – the National Women's Soccer League regular season, the NWSL championship and the Women's International Champions Cup. This is something no other professional women's soccer team has ever done; and

WHEREAS, during that historic 2018 season, Coach Paul Riley and the Courage set league records for the most regular season wins, points scored, fewest losses and largest goal differential. They also became the first team in NWSL history to go unbeaten on the road for an entire season; and

WHEREAS, these all-star athletes serve as role models to youth soccer players across Wake County and around the world, encouraging sportsmanship, fitness and teamwork.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wake County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim August 19, 2019, as NC Courage Day in Wake County, and urge residents to join us in celebrating the outstanding accomplishments of this talented team.

ADOPTED this the 19th day of August, 2019.

Jessica N. Holmes, Chair
Wake County Board of Commissioners