PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE UNITED WAY OF BURKE COUNTY
ON ITS 70TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Burke County United Way was established in 1956 and has faithfully served the citizens of Burke County for seventy years; and

WHEREAS, the Burke County United Way has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to improving lives by addressing critical community needs in the areas of education, financial security, and health; and

WHEREAS, through collaboration with local nonprofit agencies, businesses, volunteers, and community partners, the Burke County United Way has provided vital resources and support to individuals and families throughout Burke County; and

WHEREAS, the organization has helped strengthen the fabric of the community by promoting volunteerism, encouraging philanthropy, and fostering partnerships that create meaningful and lasting change; and

WHEREAS, the Burke County United Way continues to evolve to meet community needs through initiatives such as 1BurkeGives, a 24-hour day of giving launched in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic, which now engages dozens of local nonprofit organizations and leverages community-wide support through social media and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, this 70th anniversary marks a significant milestone and provides an opportunity to reflect on the organization's lasting contributions to the well-being of Burke County residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Burke County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes and celebrates the 70th Anniversary of the Burke County United Way and expresses its sincere appreciation for the organization's continued service and dedication to the citizens of Burke County.

Approved this 18th day of May 2026.

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Jeffrey C. Brittain, Chairman
Burke Co. Board of Commissioners