HONORING COMMISSIONER DREW BALL

WHEREAS, Commissioner Drew Ball faithfully served the residents of Buncombe County as an appointed member of the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners, representing District 3 from January 2025 through December 2026; and,

WHEREAS, Commissioner Ball joined the Board during a critical period in Buncombe County's history, bringing a commitment to public service, thoughtful leadership, and community collaboration as the County navigated the challenges of recovery and rebuilding following Hurricane Helene; and,

WHEREAS, Commissioner Ball was a steadfast champion of sustainability throughout his tenure, helping advance Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) financing in Buncombe County, expanding opportunities for local businesses and property owners to invest in energy efficiency, renewable energy, and resiliency improvements; and,

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of safe roads for all who travel them, Commissioner Ball sponsored the Board's resolution supporting Lennie's Law, advocating for enhanced bicycle safety measures and honoring the lives lost in a tragic cycling accident; and,

WHEREAS, Commissioner Ball championed regional connectivity and transportation opportunities, bringing Western North Carolina passenger rail efforts before the Board for support and sponsorship; and,

WHEREAS, Commissioner Ball served on the Affordable Housing Committee, Environmental and Energy Stewardship Committee, the Continuum of Care Homelessness Board, the Local Emergency Planning Committee, and the French Broad Metropolitan Organization (MPO); and,

WHEREAS, his dedication to community service extends far beyond the boardroom, including his service as a volunteer firefighter, reflecting his willingness to serve his neighbors and contribute to the well-being of the community in meaningful ways,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners hereby extends its sincere appreciation and gratitude to

Commissioner Drew Ball

For his dedicated service, leadership, and meaningful contributions to Buncombe County and its residents, and wishes Commissioner Ball continued success as a City of Asheville Council Member, recognizing his commitment to public service and the continued betterment of our community.

This 17th day of November, 2026.

Amanda Edwards, Chair
Buncombe County Board of Commissioners