

Mecklenburg County

North Carolina

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Ramadan is the 9th month of the Islamic calendar, where Muslims fast from dawn to dusk to become closer to God; and,

WHEREAS, Ramadan is a sacred time that commemorates the revelation of the Quran to the Prophet Mohammad and encourages fasting, prayer, reflection, God consciousness, and gratitude; and,

WHEREAS, each day of fasting teaches the soul to struggle with the self, persevere, be patient, and to forgive and love; and,

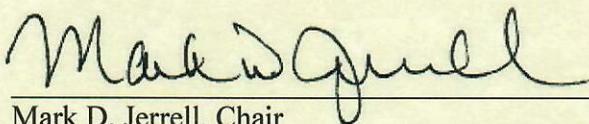
WHEREAS, Ramadan is a time to remember those who are less fortunate and engage in generous acts of charity for those afflicted by hunger, poverty, disease, natural disasters, and conflict; and,

WHEREAS, Ramadan reminds us that Islam has always been a part of America, and Muslims have made extraordinary contributions to our country, including those made by the famous Muslim scholar Omar Ibn Said, who was enslaved and brought to the Carolinas in 1807.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Mecklenburg recognizes February 17th to March 19th as

“THE MONTH OF RAMADAN”

This 17th day of February 2026



Mark D. Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners

