

# Mecklenburg County

## North Carolina

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Alzheimer's disease, the most common form of dementia, is a progressive degenerative condition that affects more than 7.2 million adults aged 65 and older in the United States annually, deteriorating memory, thinking, judgment, and reasoning, while also affecting behavior, emotions, and self-care abilities; and,

**WHEREAS**, there are over 16,700 people living with dementia and over 381,000 care partners providing unpaid care to people living with dementia across North Carolina; and,

**WHEREAS**, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Alzheimer's is the sixth leading cause of death for American adults and the only cause in the top six that has no prevention or cure; and,

**WHEREAS**, the people of Mecklenburg County can support individuals, families, friends, and caregivers who are dealing with Alzheimer's disease by promoting research to find a cause and cure, by advocating for educational programs and support services in our communities; and by participating in the Alzheimer's Association annual Walk to End Alzheimer's in October; and,

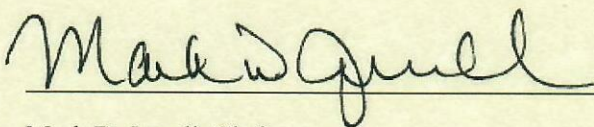
**WHEREAS**, Mecklenburg County joins the state of North Carolina along with interested agencies and organizations in commemorating those who have passed away from Alzheimer's disease, and honoring those living with Alzheimer's disease, as well as their dedicated caregivers, at the Annual Candlelight Reflections ceremony in November, and throughout the year.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Mecklenburg County Board of County Commissioners, does hereby proclaim September 2025 as

**“ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH”**

and commend its observance to all citizens.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025



Mark D. Jerrell, Chair  
Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners

