



## Legislation Text

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### Title

## Proclamation Declaring Racism as a Public Health Crisis (Commissioner Jerrell)

### Action

#### ACTION:

Adopt a proclamation declaring racism as a public health crisis in Mecklenburg County

**Commission Contact:** Commissioner Mark Jerrell (Co-Sponsors: Commissioners Fuller, Harden, Leake and Rodriguez-McDowell)

**Presentation:** Yes

#### **BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

Systemic racism is a driving force that negatively impacts health and well-being in areas such as but not limited to housing, education, employment and criminal justice. To achieve health equity, Mecklenburg County asserts that racism is a public health crisis affecting our entire county and should be treated with the urgency and funding of a public health crisis.

#### **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:**

N/A

#### **POLICY IMPACT:**

N/A

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

N/A