

Proclamation

of

4-H Week in Buncombe County

WHEREAS, 4-H youth across the nation are keeping it green by leading efforts to solve problems in their communities, raise awareness about environmental issues, and make a difference for their futures; and

WHEREAS, 4-H is one of the largest youth development organizations in North Carolina and the largest in the nation with six million young people; and

WHEREAS, 4-H in North Carolina claims over 204,000 youth members and nearly 20,000 adult volunteers, while Buncombe County's 4-H program reaches more than 1,600 youth with more than 200 volunteers; and

WHEREAS, 4-H, as the youth development component of North Carolina Cooperative Extension, is a program where youth aged 5-19 learn through opportunities that provide them hands-on experiences in 4-H's mission mandates of science, engineering and technology; healthy living; and citizenship; and

WHEREAS, 4-H has connected youth and their communities with the innovative research and resources from our nation's 106 land-grant universities and colleges for more than 100 years; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina 4-H Youth Development takes this occasion to kick off its North Carolina 4-H Centennial year, celebrating 100 years of 4-H in this state in 2009; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board or Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That this Board does hereby proclaim October 5-11, 2008, as:

4-H Week

in Buncombe County.

2. That all citizens join us in recognizing these special programs that enhance our young people's interests in their future as part of Buncombe County 4-H Youth Development.

ADOPTED this the 7th day of October, 2008.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

NATHAN RAMSEY, CHAIRMAN