



Proclamation
Public Health Week
April 3rd – 7th 2023

WHEREAS, the Jackson County public health workforce is a critical component of our emergency response to natural and man-made disasters and widespread disease outbreaks in our county, including COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, our county and state public health workers have been courageous, inventive and tireless in their work to perform their essential public health functions, often times at the risk of their own safety and health; and

WHEREAS, public health measures to control and eliminate infectious diseases, improve environmental sanitation, and promote healthy lifestyle practices have been the greatest cause of improved health status and increased life expectancy for the residents of our County and all North Carolina's residents; and

WHEREAS, public health plays a critical role advancing health equity and preventing chronic diseases and injuries, resulting in improved productivity and decreased health care costs for all North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Board of Health is committed to a continued emphasis on prevention in public health, and to helping our county and all North Carolina reach a better state of health through actions outlined in the Healthy North Carolina 2030 objectives; and

WHEREAS, communities, local health departments, employers, hospitals and health care providers, individuals and families, insurers, county leaders and policy makers, faith-based communities, and schools and child care facilities must work together to identify and develop innovative solutions to health problems facing the people of Jackson County; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Board of Commissioners encourages all residents to recognize that public health is working to ensure that all residents are protected from threats such as COVID-19, influenza, foodborne disease, injury, and chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, and asthma;

WHEREAS, April 3-7, 2023, has been designated as NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Jackson County that April 3-7, 2023, shall be designated as "PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK" in JACKSON County, and commend its observance to all county residents and convey our deepest gratitude to those public health professionals who serve our county every day.

Date: April 04, 2023.

Attest:

By:

Angela M. Winchester, Clerk to the Board

Mark A. Letson, Chairman