

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS, the week of April 17<sup>th</sup> through April 22, 2017 has been designated as National Community Development Week by the National Community Development Association to celebrate the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the HOME Partnerships Program; and*

*WHEREAS, the CDBG Program provides annual funding and flexibility to local communities to help provide decent, safe and affordable housing, maintain suitable living environments, and to help create economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income people; and*

*WHEREAS, the HOME Program provides funding to local communities to create decent, safe and affordable housing opportunities for low-income persons with over one million units of affordable housing having been completed nationally using HOME funds; and*

*WHEREAS, over the past five years, the City of Durham has received a total of \$8,885,165 in CDBG funds, and \$3,946,527 in HOME funds; and*

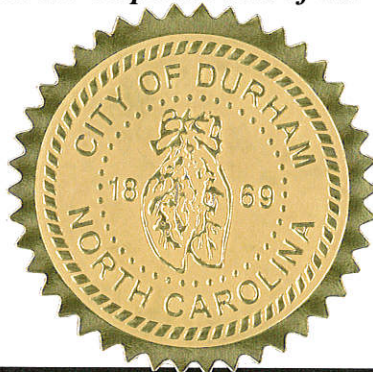
*WHEREAS, the City of Durham, has used CDBG and HOME funds directly or in partnerships to address issues surrounding homelessness including veteran homelessness, to promote homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income households, to develop hundreds of affordable rental units for low- and very low-income households, to provide repairs to homes of very low-income seniors, to help revitalize neighborhoods, and to leverage millions of dollars in additional public and private investment within Durham neighborhoods.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, William V. 'Bill' Bell, Mayor of the City of Durham, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 17<sup>th</sup> through April 22, 2017 as*

## **“NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK”**

*in Durham in support of these two valuable programs that have made a tremendous contribution to the vitality of the City's housing stock, and the economic vitality of our community.*

*WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Durham, North Carolina, this 17th day of April 2017.*



*William V. 'Bill' Bell*  
Mayor