



## **Proclamation**

### **April 1-7, 2017 Local Government Education Week**

**WHEREAS,** the nation's 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services such as law enforcement, public health and safety, recreational opportunities, and the education of local children to create healthy, safe, economically-resilient, and engaged communities; and

**WHEREAS,** in celebration and appreciation of the valuable services local governments throughout the Commonwealth provide to the citizens of the communities they serve, the Virginia General Assembly designated the first week in April as Local Government Education Week; and

**WHEREAS,** Albemarle County takes great pride in our responsibility to protect and enhance the health, well-being and safety of our residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to remain healthy, vibrant, safe, and economically competitive, Albemarle County provides public health, justice, emergency management and economic services that play a key role in everything from resident's daily health to disaster response; and

**WHEREAS,** Albemarle County encourages active and meaningful community engagement in local government activities through partnerships like the Community Advisory Committees and community policy groups.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors proclaims that April 1-7, 2017 is hereby designated as Local Government Education Week; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors and the Albemarle County School Board will partner to promote civic education and engagement in an effort to educate citizens about their local government, strengthen the sense of community, and engage the next generation of local government managers.

**Signed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.**

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Diantha H. McKeel, Chair  
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors