



Proclamation
Recognizing the 275th Anniversary of Albemarle County

WHEREAS, on September 4, 1744, the Virginia General Assembly formed Albemarle County, from the then western portion of Goochland County, formerly territory of the Monacan Tribal Nation; and

WHEREAS, Albemarle County's early economy developed around the Kanawha Canal in Scottsville and the mills along the Rivanna River, and was bolstered by the development of the Orange & Alexandria Railroad and the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway, which allowed Albemarle County's agricultural and early industrial products to reach regional and national markets; and

WHEREAS, the founding of the University of Virginia in 1819 anchored Albemarle County as a center for learning and the creation of the Shenandoah National Park in 1935 preserved thousands of acres of pristine forestlands for passive and active recreation and enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, Albemarle County continues to work to achieve its vision of a community with abundant natural, historic and scenic resources, healthy ecosystems, active and vibrant development areas, a physical environment that supports healthy lifestyles, a thriving economy, and exceptional educational opportunities for present and future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the County Board of Supervisors for Albemarle County, Virginia, reflects with pride on Albemarle County's 275 years of history, the rich traditions of its community, and the innovative human and cultural capital that have created this unique community, while looking forward with anticipation to a bright future.

Signed this 4th day of September 2019

Ned Gallaway, Chair
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors