



**PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING ALBEMARLE COUNTY
AS A PURPLE HEART COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart, the oldest American military decoration in continuous use and the first service award made available to the common soldier, is awarded to members of the Armed Forces who have been wounded or paid the ultimate sacrifice in combat; and

WHEREAS, Albemarle County supports its military population, appreciates the sacrifices of Purple Heart recipients, and is grateful for all the men and women who have selflessly served their county; and

WHEREAS, Albemarle County has a highly decorated veteran population, and there are 95 Albemarle County veterans on the Virginia War Memorial, all who selflessly paid the high price of freedom by leaving their families and communities and placed themselves in harm's way for the good of our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, do hereby designate Albemarle County as a

Purple Heart County

and call upon the Albemarle County community to honor the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform who were wounded or killed while serving and protecting the freedoms enjoyed by all Americans.

Signed this 5th day of November 2025.

Jim H. Andrews, Chair
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors