



Alamance County Board of Commissioners

ACTION ITEM AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: 4/7/2025

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FROM: Tory Frink

DEPT: County Clerk's Office

AGENDA TITLE: National Therapy Animal Day (April 30, 2025)

TO: Alamance County Board of Commissioners

ISSUE/ACTION REQUESTED:

Recognition of April 30th as National Therapy Animal Day.

BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

Pet Partners created National Therapy Animal Day to recognize and honor therapy dogs and therapy animals who partner with their human companions (handlers) to bring comfort and healing to those in need, raise awareness, and educate the public about the role therapy animals play in enhancing the health and well-being of humans. Dedicated handlers volunteer during hospital visits, pediatric care units, schools, and assisted living facilities.

Alamance County Public Libraries has the PAWS for Reading Program that helps children ages 6-12 improve their reading skills for 15 minutes by reading to a registered therapy animal in a one-on-one session.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the recognition.

ATTACHMENTS: