WHEREAS, the world’s housing situation is a crisis in need of attention and action, with 1.6 billion people living in inadequate shelter; and

WHEREAS, on World Habitat Day, October 6, around the world, individuals, organizations and government officials are raising awareness, educating and mobilizing to take action on the current global housing crisis while working together to ensure adequate housing for all; and

WHEREAS, as the international community seeks to meet critical shelter needs, affordable housing and neighborhood revitalization initiatives best occur within the framework of a comprehensive local strategy and a development plan supported by the local government and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville addresses the causes and systemic issues that perpetuate poverty housing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this 6th day of October, 2014, the County of Albemarle officially joins Habitat volunteers, homeowners, partners and supporters around the region in recognizing World Habitat Day and is committed to increasing opportunities for affordable housing for all.

Signed and Sealed this 1st day of October, 2014.