

WHAT AN INCREDIBLE YEAR!



L to R: John Burns, Matt Calabria, Jessica Holmes, Sig Hutchinson



On June 15 my “More with Four” colleagues, along with the rest of the Wake County Commission, passed a \$1.3 billion budget for Wake County. This begins the process of moving our public education system back toward remarkable. Back to a time when we paid our teachers at the national average and supported them with smaller classrooms and more teacher’s aides. Back to when our bus drivers and cafeteria workers were being paid a living wage. To accomplish this, your commissioners: worked with our school board and superintendent; listened to the citizens; and ultimately said “yes we can” to our kids, parents, teachers, employers and future citizens of Wake County. In so many ways, the day the budget passed sums up an incredible year for the Hutchinson family. It defines why it was important to run for public office and the tremendous pride and honor it represents to serve as your Wake County Commissioner.

Nancy has been present every step of the way as a wonderful partner and wife. She was amazing on the campaign trail. There is no better campaigner than a wife who believes as much as I do in our shared vision for Wake County. With an open heart and a brilliant smile, Nancy takes every opportunity to meet new friends. Each conversation is filled with her passion for our mission to make Wake County even better: outstanding public education, a transportation system that works, abundant jobs with a living wage, clean water, beautiful open spaces, more parks and an amazing greenway system.



Hank and Isabel (back) with Kelly, Sean and George (front)

The Tallahassee Hutchinsons, son Hank, daughter-in-law Kelly and the grandkids, have all been doing great. Hank continues to build a career as a regionally renowned orthopedic trauma surgeon in northern Florida. Kelly, in addition to raising three beautiful children, also supports a career as a social worker helping families in crisis. Grandson George is playing football and looking at colleges (Nancy’s hoping he likes N.C. State or UNC). Isabel, our granddaughter, is cheerleading and posting on Facebook with all her friends. The youngest grandchild, Sean, is our resident engineer/artist as a Lego Master. Life is good for the Tallahassee Hutchinsons who travel often, sending us this recent selfie from New York City.

After more than a year of campaigning without a vacation, Nancy and I did what we like to do most: travel; ride bikes; and enjoy great food, wine, and conversation. Recently, we spent two weeks in southern Italy. We love being with the warm and accepting Italian people. In addition to visiting the Vatican and the Sistine Chapel, we rode our bikes just enough to support all the pasta we wanted. Biking along the eastern coast, where on a clear day you can see Greece, we stayed in caves now turned into hotels.



It is wonderful to be representing you as your Wake County Commissioner. Nancy and I love Wake County and North Carolina. We think often about the hard work and sacrifice so many people made to make the Tar Heel State the great place it is today.

As we celebrate the birth of our nation, let us pause and think about our family and friends, as well as our forefathers and mothers, who sacrificed to make our American experience a reality. Thanks for your continued friendship as Nancy and I wish you and your family a safe Independence Day.

Happy 4th of July!

Sig and Nancy

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