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Mayor Jacobs to Recognize National County Government Month

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs will observe National County Government Month throughout April by sharing videos on Mondays and Wednesdays that highlight local leaders and their duties and responsibilities.

“I think it’s important that folks understand how the different levels of government operate and interact,” Mayor Jacobs said. “All too often we think only of federal government, but state and local government can have an even bigger impact on our lives.”

Today’s [video](#) features a discussion with Courtney Durrett, the chair of the 11-member Knox County Commission – the legislative branch of government.

During the interview, the Mayor and Durrett discuss what commission does, how Durrett became a commissioner, and the separations of local governments.

“Local government does everything you need to live your life in my opinion,” Durrett said. “To provide those services you need in order to live your life comfortably day to day.”

On Wednesday, April 12, the county will post Mayor Jacobs’ interview with Kristi Kristy, the chair of Knox County Board of Education.

All videos will appear on the county and Mayor’s social media platforms. The rest of the schedule is as follows:

- April 17: Jason Zachary, Tennessee state representative
- April 19: Becky Duncan Massey, Tennessee state senator
- April 24: Marsha Blackburn: Tennessee U.S. senator
- April 26: Tim Burchett: Tennessee U.S. representative

The Mayor expanded local interviews to include state and federal leaders to provide viewers with a window into public service at even higher levels.

National County Government Month is an annual celebration of county government held each April to promote services and programs while providing insight into what elected officials do and how government works.

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