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Mayor Jacobs Interviews TN Senator Becky Duncan Massey

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 found [here](#), features a discussion with Becky Duncan Massey, Tennessee State Senator for District 6. During the interview the Mayor and Massey discuss her career prior to public service, what ultimately led her to Nashville, and how constituents play a role in how legislation is passed in the General Assembly.

“They come to me [ideas for legislation] by citizens and by industry that is affected by it,” Duncan Massey said. “I’ve passed several bills that college students have brought to me. One that was brought to me by a student at Maryville College that made American Sign Language a foreign language credit in our high schools.”

The Mayor began the series in an interview with Knox County Commission Chair Courtney Durrett found [here](#); KCS Board Chair Kristi Kristy found [here](#) and most recently an interview with District 14 Tennessee Representative Jason Zachary found [here](#). On Monday, April 24, the county will post Mayor Jacobs’ interview with U.S. Senator Marsha Blackburn before closing out the series with U.S. Representative Tim Burchett on Wednesday, April 26.

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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