



WHEREAS, the Citizens of Gaston County elected Ronald “Ronnie” E. Worley to the Gaston County Board of Commissioners in November 2016 and reelected him in November 2020 as a representative from the South Point Township. Commissioner Worley received the Oaths of Office on December 5, 2016 and December 7, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, Commissioner Worley was elected Vice-Chairman of the Board on December 5, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, in his official capacity, Commissioner Worley has diligently served the State, Region and County and many other affiliate organizations including:

- Centralina Council of Governments Delegate – 2016-2020; 2023
- Gaston Family Health Services (GFHS) – 2016-2021
- South Fork River Health Committee - 2020
- Montcross Area Chamber of Commerce – 2020-2024
- North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) – Delegate/Alternate Delegate 2017-2023
- Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) – 2017-2020; Alternate 2020-2024
- County Attorney Search Committee – 2021
- Joint BOC/BOE Schools’ Capital Needs Committee – 2017
- Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) – 2017-2024
- NACo Annual Conference Voting Delegate – 2019; 2023
- NCACC Legislative Goals Conference Alternate Voting Delegate – 2016; 2021

WHEREAS, as a military Veteran, a retired North Carolina State Trooper, and the former Mayor of Cramerton, Commissioner Worley was a proponent of strategic partnerships with stakeholders at local, regional, and state levels to leverage strengths and foster responsible growth. He encouraged collaboration across the County with various agencies, municipalities, and countywide law enforcement and first responders, to enhance vital services, address persistent needs, and strengthen the bonds within our communities; and,

WHEREAS, he has been a vocal advocate for the preservation and enhancement of the County's local water resources, supporting initiatives to safeguard rivers, lakes, and streams and ensure that clean, safe water remains accessible for all citizens; and,

WHEREAS, as a steadfast proponent of school safety and education initiatives, Commissioner Worley was willing to challenge norms and advocate for visionary approaches, all while advocating for financial accountability and the responsible management of school budgets and resources; and,

WHEREAS, Commissioner Worley was a strong advocate of County employees and supported various initiatives to enhance employee compensation and benefits, including the implementation of a 401(k) plan; and,

WHEREAS, he consistently upheld the values of fiscal conservatism, ensuring that taxpayer dollars are used efficiently and effectively, and the County budget reflects a balance between prudent financial management and the needs of the County and its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the citizens of Gaston County, commends and extends grateful appreciation to

Ronald “Ronnie” E. Worley

for his dedicated service to the citizens of Gaston County in the performance of his elected duties, for his thoughtful approach to tackling complex issues, and for his steadfast commitment to fiscal responsibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Commendation, as adopted the 12th day of November 2024, be set forth in the Minutes of this County Commission.